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## EXPLANATORY NOTES

### Introduction

This publication contains the results of a survey conducted in June 1987 in conjunction with the monthly Population Survey. The survey, the seventeenth in the series, compared usual residence with that twelve months ago, to determine the number and characteristics of movers and non-movers. Data was also collected on duration of stay at usual residence and reasons for changing usual residence.

2. The surveys in this series have been conducted at approximately annual intervals since 1970. Surveys in recent years have customarily related to the twelve month period ending 30 June, with the exception of the population census years 1981 and 1986 as well as 1987 when they related to the twelve months ending 31 May.

3. The Censuses of Population and Housing of June 1971, 1976, 1981 and 1986 also contained questions about change of residence. In 1971, the question related to movement during the preceding five years; in 1976, 1981 and 1986 information was obtained about movement in the preceding twelve months as well as five years. Census data are available on request.

4. Alternative statistics of interstate changes of residence, which are incorporated in the official population estimates for Australia, the States and Territories, are derived from unidentified data on interstate changes of addresses advised to the Health Insurance Commission in the process of administering Medicare. These statistics are published in *Australian Demographic Statistics* (3101.0).

### The population survey

5. The survey is based on a multi-stage area sample of private dwellings (about 35,000 houses, flats, etc.) and non-private dwellings (hotels, motels, etc.) and covers about two thirds of one per cent of the population of Australia. The information was obtained from the occupants of selected dwellings by carefully chosen and specially trained interviewers, the interviews being conducted during the two weeks beginning on Monday, 8 June.

6. The population survey sample is reselected every five years to allow data from the latest census of population and housing to be used to improve the efficiency of the population survey sample design. The latest reselection, which used data from the 1981 Census, was first used for the internal migration survey in 1983.

### Scope and definitions

7. The survey is designed to include all persons aged fifteen years and over except:

- (a) members of the permanent defence forces;

- (b) certain diplomatic personnel of overseas governments, customarily excluded from census and estimated populations;

- (c) overseas visitors in Australia;

- (d) members of non-Australian defence forces (and their dependants) stationed in Australia;

- (e) boarding school pupils, some patients in hospitals and sanatoria, inmates of gaols, reformatories, etc.; and

- (f) persons with no place of usual residence at 31 May 1986 and/or 31 May 1987.

8. For the purposes of the survey, persons were classified as having moved if the address of their usual place of residence was different from that twelve months earlier. Persons whose usual residence was at the same address on both dates, but who moved away and returned during this period, were not counted as movers. No attempt has been made to separately enumerate children under 1 year of age who, by definition, could not have changed usual residence.

9. For the first time the 1982 survey recognised that people do not necessarily have a usual place of residence. Those who had no usual residence at either or both dates are excluded from the published data for the 1982 and subsequent surveys. The statistics shown for these surveys are therefore not strictly comparable with those for earlier surveys. Nevertheless, the exclusion has had minimal effect on the mobility rates. The number of persons aged 15 years and over who were in Australia at both dates but who had no usual residence at the beginning and/or end of the survey year was estimated to be 28.5 thousand in 1981/82, 59.3 thousand in 1982/83, 53.7 thousand in 1983/84, 53.9 thousand in 1984/85, 50.8 thousand in 1985/86 and 66.5 thousand in 1986/87.

10. All figures contained in the tables in this publication relate to persons who were in Australia at both the beginning and end of the survey year. Information about persons whose usual residence was overseas at the beginning of the annual period and in Australia at the end of the period is shown in the Appendix.

11. Although information on the movement of children under the age of 15 years is not collected in these surveys, the number of children in each family group is ascertained, thereby making it possible to estimate the number of dependants under 15 whose parents or guardians changed usual residence. These estimates, which are shown in Tables 1-4, are therefore the number of children who would have changed residence if:

- (a) children residing in private dwellings shared the movement characteristics of their parents or guardians (usually the father); and



- (b) children not residing in private dwellings shared the assumed movement characteristics of children in private dwellings.

### Results for metropolitan/non-metropolitan areas and other regions

12. In some tables changes of usual residence are shown in terms of movement within metropolitan areas or between metropolitan and non-metropolitan areas. Estimates for metropolitan areas relate to persons residing within the boundaries of the capital city statistical divisions. Non-metropolitan areas comprise all statistical divisions outside the capital city boundaries. The delimitation of these capital city statistical divisions is explained in Australian Bureau of Statistics, *1986 Census: Australian Standard Geographical Classification Geographic Code List* (2188.0). Note that the Canberra Statistical Division comprises the whole of the Australian Capital Territory.

13. For the purposes of this survey, Australia is divided into 52 regions which correspond, in whole or in part to individual or groups of statistical divisions. Internal migration data from the 1984, 1985, 1986 and 1987 surveys can be made available for these regions on request. In previous surveys limited small-area data were compiled based on groupings of postcode areas or local government areas. These groupings differed from survey to survey and did not necessarily correspond to the current 52 regions.

### Estimation

14. Survey estimates relating to persons aged 15 and over are calculated in such a way as to conform to an independently estimated distribution of the population (excluding persons in institutions) aged 15 and over by State, area, age and sex. Estimates for children under 15 are similarly constrained, except that since the survey does not record their sex, they are made to conform to an independently estimated population aged under 15 by State, area and age only. These independent estimates (benchmarks) are necessarily derived from incomplete information about population changes (births, deaths, internal and overseas migration) and can differ from estimates of the population published by the ABS. Survey estimates have not been revised for the small amendments of population benchmarks arising when final data of births, deaths and migration become available. Nor have the survey results for previous years been revised to take account of major revisions of population estimates made retrospectively.

### Mobility rates

15. For this publication mobility rates are calculated by relating the number of persons who change their place of residence to the population of movers and non-movers according to place of residence at the survey date. Rates of this kind are more commonly expressed in relation to the population at the beginning of the period or at the mid-point of the period, or the mean population. The populations at the survey date have been chosen as denominator to conform to the retrospective nature of the survey and to avoid any bias which might arise from comparing data from different sources.

### Reliability of the estimates

16. Since the estimates in this statement are based on information obtained from occupants of a sample of dwellings, they may differ from the figures that would have been produced if the information had been obtained from occupants of all dwellings. One measure of the likely difference is given by the standard error, which indicates the extent to which an estimate might have varied by chance because only a sample of dwellings was included in the survey. Estimates with a standard error of more than about 30 per cent have not been shown as the degree of sampling variability would seriously detract from their value for most reasonable uses. Although in some cases figures for these small components can be derived by subtraction they should not be regarded as reliable. More information on this topic, together with a table showing estimated standard errors is given in the Technical note at the end of this publication.

17. Standard errors in respect of net gains or losses are greater than those for one-way flows. Net migration (inflow minus outflow) for a particular area is generally a small fraction of total gross flows and it has a relatively high sampling error which affects the accuracy of the estimates. This is particularly the case when net migration is derived from two gross flows of small magnitude such as interstate flows of the smaller States and the two Territories. Net migration figures from this survey are therefore inadequate as measures of the volume of net gain or loss of population through migration. They only provide broad indicators of long term trends over a period of time.

18. Differences between survey results on interstate migration and data from alternative sources cannot always be explained by standard errors. That is, the differences are not always due solely to collecting information from occupants of only a sample of dwellings. Other possible causes are the effects of different definitions and the scope of the survey. The exclusion of certain persons and the definitions of a mover, usual residence, etc. could be expected to affect the results of the survey.

### Related publications

19. Users may also wish to refer to the following ABS publications which are available on request:

*Australian Demographic Statistics* (3101.0)

*Internal Migration in Australia* by D.T. Rowland, Census Monograph, Australian Bureau of Statistics and the Department of Demography, Australian National University, 1979 (3409.0)

*Postcensal Interstate Migration Estimates 1966-1981* by O. B. Di Iulio, ABS Occasional Paper 1984/2 released in April 1984.

*Interstate Migration, Australia — Census of Population and Housing, 30 June 1981* (3411.0)



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- \* subject to sampling variability too high for most practical uses
- n.a. not available

21. Where figures have been rounded, discrepancies may occur between sums of the component items and totals.

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## SUMMARY OF FINDINGS

## Rates of residential change

The number of people in Australia who changed their place of usual residence during the year ended 31 May 1987 was 2,497,800. The mobility rate was 160 movers per thousand population. This is almost the same as the rate of 158 movers per thousand population recorded by the previous survey in this series when, for the year ended 30 June 1986, 2,438,900 persons changed usual residence.

The mobility rate has remained relatively stable over time, moving within a narrow range from a low of 154 per thousand to a high of 168 per thousand. The 1987 figure of 160 is about average for the 1980's. State mobility rates have been more variable, especially in the Northern Territory and the States with smaller populations, in part reflecting sampling variability. There has been no perceptible trend however.

The following table presents the proportion of the population in each State that changed their usual residence in the twelve months preceding the surveys conducted in years 1979 to 1987. The proportion who move has generally been high in the Northern Territory, Queensland and Western Australia and low in Victoria and South Australia.

MOBILITY RATES: SURVEYS 1979 to 1987  
(Movers per thousand population)

| Year ended— | N.S.W. | Vic. | Qld | S.A. | W.A. | Tas. | N.T. | A.C.T. | Aust. |
|-------------|--------|------|-----|------|------|------|------|--------|-------|
| June 1979   | 159    | 143  | 196 | 137  | 189  | 146  | 229  | 190    | 162   |
| June 1980   | 162    | 142  | 214 | 147  | 200  | 163  | 281  | 158    | 167   |
| May 1981    | 161    | 141  | 222 | 142  | 195  | 157  | 329  | 186    | 168   |
| June 1982   | 144    | 134  | 223 | 152  | 191  | 131  | 367  | 166    | 161   |
| June 1983   | 143    | 138  | 193 | 129  | 189  | 142  | 245  | 179    | 154   |
| June 1984   | 152    | 154  | 208 | 151  | 211  | 154  | 282  | 176    | 168   |
| June 1985   | 153    | 140  | 212 | 168  | 214  | 151  | 271  | 154    | 167   |
| May 1986    | 146    | 136  | 191 | 154  | 200  | 167  | 236  | 169    | 158   |
| May 1987    | 151    | 140  | 195 | 134  | 199  | 161  | 259  | 174    | 160   |

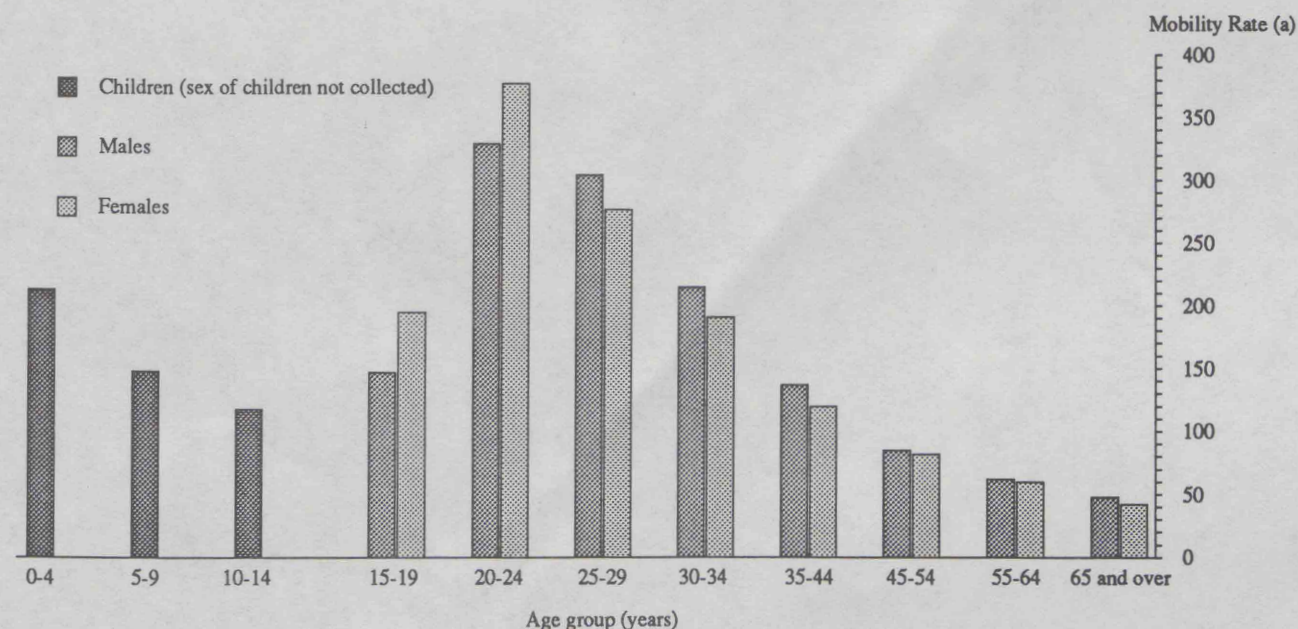
For the year ended 31 May 1987 the population in non-metropolitan areas continues to be more mobile than the metropolitan population.

## Characteristics of movers

The pattern of higher mobility rates of the younger age-groups (20-29) and of the unemployed has continued. The highest mobility rate occurs amongst those aged 20-24 (356 movers per thousand population) followed by the 25-29 year olds (293 per thousand). In the 15-19 and 20-24 age groups females are more mobile than males; for all higher ages they are less mobile. The mobility rate for children 0-4 years of age is considerably higher than for those aged 5-9 and 10-14. This indicates that parents are more likely to move before their children reach school age and that their mobility declines as the children's schooling progresses.

The relative and absolute levels of mobility by age group, as shown in the following diagram, have not changed to any significant extent since these surveys began at the beginning of the 1970's. The mobility rates for any particular age group over the last eighteen years fluctuated within a small range but without any long-term trend either upwards or downwards.

DIAGRAM 1. ALL PERSONS : MOBILITY RATES (a) BY AGE, YEAR ENDED 31 MAY 1987



(a) Movers per thousand population of the same age group



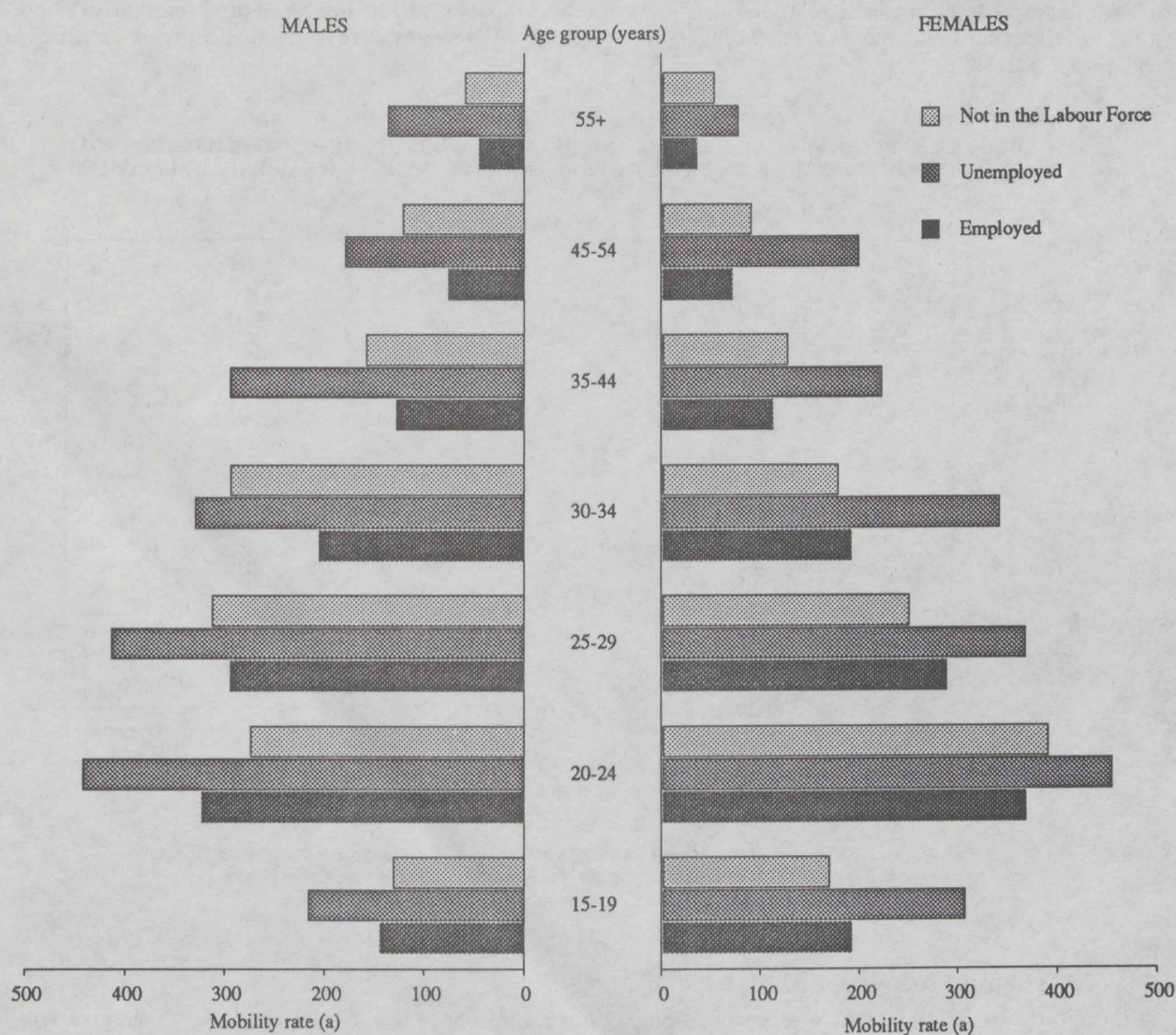
The mobility rate of the unemployed is substantially higher than that of the population as a whole (aged 15 years and over), 309 per thousand compared with 159 per thousand. It should be noted that part of this large difference is due to the difference in the age composition of the two groups. The unemployed group is much younger and to the extent that the younger population tends to be more mobile, the mobility rate for the unemployed is increased. However, analysis by age groups shows that mobility rates for the unemployed are higher in all age groups.

Mobility rates among the younger unemployed are particularly high. In the 20-24 year age group, the rate is 444 per thousand for males and 455 per thousand for females. In the 25-29 year group it is 416 per thousand for males and 368 per thousand for females.

The age-sex profile of mobility rates by employment status, as shown in the diagram below, has been relatively stable since records began in 1979.

(In interpreting these statistics and the following diagram, note that employment status is ascertained at the time of the survey i.e. at 31 May 1987, and not at the time of moving. For details of people who moved to look for work or for other employment reasons, see below under the heading 'Reasons for moving'.)

**DIAGRAM 2. PERSONS AGED 15 YEARS AND OVER: MOBILITY RATES (a) BY AGE, SEX AND EMPLOYMENT STATUS, YEAR ENDED 31 MAY 1987**



(a) Movers per thousand population of the same age group, sex and employment status

People born outside Australia who are recent arrivals in this country are more likely to change their place of usual residence than the Australian-born. The mobility rate for the Australian-born aged 15 years and over was 161 movers per thousand population, whereas for the overseas-born who arrived after 1976 the rate was 282. Earlier arrivals had similar mobility patterns to the Australian-born population. The mobility rate for the overseas-born population as a whole, regardless of year of arrival, was 156.



### Types of moves

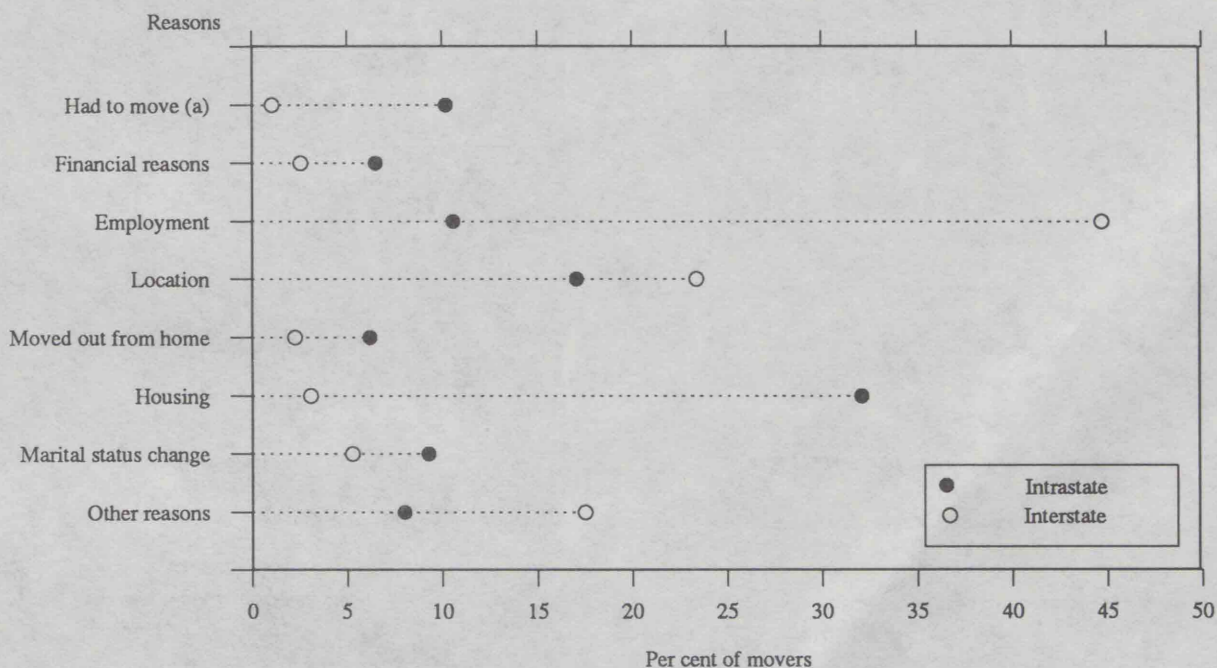
Those people who move, generally tend to do so within the same State and within the same city or general area in which they have been living. In the year ended 31 May 1987 only 10 per cent (239,400 persons) of those who changed their usual residence moved interstate, and only 10 per cent (243,100 persons) moved to or from the metropolitan (Capital city) area of their State. On the other hand 50 per cent (1,259,800 persons) moved within the same metropolitan area in which they had been living and 30 per cent (755,500 persons) moved within the non-metropolitan area of the same State where they had been living.

In the year ended 31 May 1987 approximately 175,000 persons moved from metropolitan areas to non-metropolitan areas, while 164,200 persons moved in the opposite direction.

### Reasons for moving

Of movers aged 15 years and over, (both intra and inter-State movers), 29 per cent gave 'housing' reasons as the main reason for moving, 18 per cent gave 'location' reasons and 14 per cent 'employment' reasons. The majority of those moving for 'housing' reasons were either first home buyers moving to their new home or people who had moved to a larger house because they required more living space. The proportion of moves for 'housing' reasons is significantly higher among intrastate moves than among interstate moves. As the following diagram shows 32 per cent of the 1,720,200 intrastate moves were for 'housing' reasons but only 3 per cent of the 193,100 interstate moves. Moves for 'location' reasons, for example to be closer to relatives or friends or closer to work, school etc, were predominantly (87 per cent) intrastate. On the other hand, 32 per cent of movers for 'employment' reasons were to another State or Territory and 68 per cent were intrastate.

DIAGRAM 3. PERSONS AGED 15 YEARS AND OVER: PROPORTION OF PERSONS WHO CHANGED USUAL RESIDENCE BY REASON FOR MOVING AND TYPE OF MOVE, YEAR ENDED 31 MAY 1987



(a) Move due to circumstances beyond the movers' control - the principal reasons being the sale by the landlord of a rental property, lease not renewed, resumption or demolition of a property and natural calamities

### Duration of stay at usual residence of 31 May 1987

Although the duration of stay at a person's place of usual residence is age-selective and, for the overseas-born, dependent on year of arrival in Australia, it can be used as a good indicator of internal migration over the long term. At 31 May 1987, 74 per cent of people aged 15 years and over had lived at their current usual residence for less than 15 years — that is they had moved at least once during the past 15 years. In the Northern Territory the figure was 89 per cent — higher than any other State or Territory. In Queensland and Western Australia it was 79 per cent and in the Australian Capital Territory, 78 per cent. Looking at the shorter term, 44 per cent of people aged 15 and over had lived at their current usual residence for less than 5 years. The corresponding figure for the Northern Territory was 61 per cent, and for Queensland and Western Australia 50 per cent and 51 per cent respectively. The least mobile populations were in New South Wales, Victoria and South Australia.



TABLE 1. ALL PERSONS : CHANGE OF USUAL RESIDENCE BY AGE, YEAR ENDED 31 MAY 1987 AND PREVIOUS SURVEYS

| Age group<br>(years)                  | Year ended -   |                    |                    |                    |                    |                   |                   |
|---------------------------------------|----------------|--------------------|--------------------|--------------------|--------------------|-------------------|-------------------|
|                                       | 31 May<br>1981 | 30 June<br>1982(a) | 30 June<br>1983(a) | 30 June<br>1984(a) | 30 June<br>1985(a) | 31 May<br>1986(a) | 31 May<br>1987(a) |
| CHANGED USUAL RESIDENCE ('000)        |                |                    |                    |                    |                    |                   |                   |
| 0 - 4                                 | 252.5          | 248.5              | 244.8              | 274.0              | 256.8              | 250.9             | 257.3             |
| 5 - 9                                 | 201.0          | 185.0              | 159.4              | 191.4              | 183.7              | 175.5             | 176.5             |
| 10 - 14                               | 158.8          | 164.0              | 148.0              | 166.4              | 171.0              | 159.5             | 150.7             |
| 15 - 19                               | 226.3          | 225.3              | 204.8              | 228.0              | 218.5              | 222.1             | 228.3             |
| 20 - 24                               | 453.0          | 454.2              | 469.8              | 460.4              | 462.3              | 455.0             | 451.0             |
| 25 - 29                               | ( 578.0        | 334.6              | 336.3              | 386.9              | 386.3              | 360.8             | 380.2             |
| 30 - 34                               | (              | 231.5              | 227.7              | 247.8              | 252.9              | 261.4             | 256.5             |
| 35 - 44                               | 231.6          | 233.1              | 242.8              | 289.5              | 306.9              | 282.7             | 299.6             |
| 45 - 54                               | 134.5          | 120.5              | 119.1              | 130.0              | 135.1              | 119.9             | 135.8             |
| 55 - 64                               | 106.0          | 84.5               | 78.4               | 105.2              | 98.0               | 85.3              | 90.3              |
| 65 and over                           | 79.1           | 67.8               | 62.9               | 68.6               | 73.0               | 65.8              | 71.6              |
| Total                                 | 2,420.7        | 2,348.9            | 2,293.9            | 2,548.2            | 2,544.6            | 2,438.9           | 2,497.8           |
| DID NOT CHANGE USUAL RESIDENCE ('000) |                |                    |                    |                    |                    |                   |                   |
| 0 - 4                                 | 863.9          | 880.0              | 917.5              | 911.8              | 929.6              | 939.1             | 940.0             |
| 5 - 9                                 | 1,048.9        | 1,028.1            | 1,039.3            | 986.5              | 975.4              | 986.7             | 999.5             |
| 10 - 14                               | 1,130.2        | 1,165.2            | 1,219.7            | 1,184.4            | 1,156.3            | 1,136.1           | 1,107.4           |
| 15 - 19                               | 1,011.5        | 996.1              | 1,022.0            | 1,015.5            | 1,041.0            | 1,080.8           | 1,095.7           |
| 20 - 24                               | 776.6          | 806.0              | 812.5              | 833.2              | 818.1              | 815.2             | 816.3             |
| 25 - 29                               | ( 1,729.8      | 829.3              | 827.5              | 851.7              | 861.5              | 910.7             | 918.5             |
| 30 - 34                               | (              | 935.6              | 989.5              | 966.5              | 962.6              | 972.2             | 994.5             |
| 35 - 44                               | 1,569.5        | 1,660.1            | 1,793.2            | 1,782.8            | 1,834.2            | 1,935.0           | 1,995.3           |
| 45 - 54                               | 1,361.8        | 1,383.5            | 1,372.8            | 1,377.4            | 1,388.4            | 1,429.1           | 1,455.8           |
| 55 - 64                               | 1,225.6        | 1,275.6            | 1,305.2            | 1,310.8            | 1,328.1            | 1,355.6           | 1,346.0           |
| 65 and over                           | 1,256.3        | 1,302.4            | 1,319.1            | 1,363.4            | 1,403.0            | 1,449.3           | 1,463.9           |
| Total                                 | 11,974.0       | 12,262.0           | 12,618.2           | 12,584.1           | 12,698.2           | 13,009.8          | 13,132.9          |
| TOTAL ('000)                          |                |                    |                    |                    |                    |                   |                   |
| 0 - 4                                 | 1,116.4        | 1,128.4            | 1,162.2            | 1,185.8            | 1,186.4            | 1,190.0           | 1,197.3           |
| 5 - 9                                 | 1,249.9        | 1,213.1            | 1,198.7            | 1,177.8            | 1,159.1            | 1,162.3           | 1,176.0           |
| 10 - 14                               | 1,289.0        | 1,329.2            | 1,367.7            | 1,350.8            | 1,327.3            | 1,295.6           | 1,258.1           |
| 15 - 19                               | 1,237.8        | 1,221.4            | 1,226.8            | 1,243.5            | 1,259.5            | 1,302.9           | 1,324.0           |
| 20 - 24                               | 1,229.6        | 1,260.2            | 1,282.2            | 1,293.6            | 1,280.5            | 1,270.2           | 1,267.3           |
| 25 - 29                               | ( 2,307.8      | 1,163.9            | 1,163.8            | 1,238.6            | 1,247.8            | 1,271.5           | 1,298.7           |
| 30 - 34                               | (              | 1,167.2            | 1,217.1            | 1,214.3            | 1,215.6            | 1,233.6           | 1,251.0           |
| 35 - 44                               | 1,801.1        | 1,893.2            | 2,036.0            | 2,072.3            | 2,141.1            | 2,217.7           | 2,294.9           |
| 45 - 54                               | 1,496.3        | 1,504.0            | 1,491.9            | 1,507.4            | 1,523.5            | 1,549.1           | 1,591.7           |
| 55 - 64                               | 1,331.6        | 1,360.1            | 1,383.6            | 1,416.1            | 1,426.1            | 1,440.8           | 1,436.3           |
| 65 and over                           | 1,335.3        | 1,370.2            | 1,382.0            | 1,431.9            | 1,476.0            | 1,515.1           | 1,535.5           |
| Total                                 | 14,394.7       | 14,610.9           | 14,912.0           | 15,132.3           | 15,242.8           | 15,448.6          | 15,630.7          |
| MOBILITY RATES(b)                     |                |                    |                    |                    |                    |                   |                   |
| 0 - 4                                 | 226            | 220                | 211                | 231                | 216                | 211               | 215               |
| 5 - 9                                 | 161            | 152                | 133                | 162                | 158                | 151               | 150               |
| 10 - 14                               | 123            | 123                | 108                | 123                | 129                | 123               | 120               |
| 15 - 19                               | 183            | 184                | 167                | 183                | 173                | 170               | 172               |
| 20 - 24                               | 368            | 360                | 366                | 356                | 361                | 358               | 356               |
| 25 - 29                               | ( 250          | 287                | 289                | 312                | 310                | 284               | 293               |
| 30 - 34                               | (              | 198                | 187                | 204                | 208                | 212               | 205               |
| 35 - 44                               | 129            | 123                | 119                | 140                | 143                | 127               | 131               |
| 45 - 54                               | 90             | 80                 | 80                 | 86                 | 89                 | 77                | 85                |
| 55 - 64                               | 80             | 62                 | 57                 | 74                 | 69                 | 59                | 63                |
| 65 and over                           | 59             | 50                 | 46                 | 48                 | 49                 | 43                | 47                |
| Total                                 | 168            | 161                | 154                | 168                | 167                | 158               | 160               |

(a) Excludes all persons with no usual residence at the beginning and/or end of the survey year. See Explanatory notes.

(b) Movers per 1,000 population.



TABLE 2. ALL PERSONS : CHANGE OF USUAL RESIDENCE BY AGE BY STATE OF USUAL RESIDENCE AT 31 MAY 1987, YEAR ENDED 31 MAY 1987

| Age group<br>(years)                  | State of usual residence at 31 May 1987 - |         |         |         |         |       |       |        | Aust.    |
|---------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------|---------|---------|---------|---------|-------|-------|--------|----------|
|                                       | N.S.W.                                    | Vic.    | Qld.    | S.A.    | W.A.    | Tas.  | N.T.  | A.C.T. |          |
| CHANGED USUAL RESIDENCE ('000)        |                                           |         |         |         |         |       |       |        |          |
| 0 - 4                                 | 89.2                                      | 53.4    | 51.1    | 18.2    | 28.0    | 7.4   | 5.8   | 4.1    | 257.3    |
| 5 - 9                                 | 61.5                                      | 34.3    | 38.6    | 11.4    | 20.5    | 4.9   | 2.3   | 3.1    | 176.5    |
| 10 - 14                               | 48.1                                      | 33.3    | 33.4    | 8.3     | 18.6    | 4.1   | 2.4   | 2.4    | 150.7    |
| 15 - 19                               | 70.2                                      | 49.7    | 52.6    | 17.9    | 23.6    | 7.9   | *     | 5.3    | 228.3    |
| 20 - 24                               | 143.1                                     | 111.1   | 84.1    | 36.9    | 48.4    | 13.4  | 5.2   | 8.7    | 451.0    |
| 25 - 29                               | 127.6                                     | 94.0    | 65.5    | 28.4    | 41.3    | 9.8   | 6.8   | 6.8    | 380.2    |
| 30 - 34                               | 92.4                                      | 59.2    | 44.4    | 18.2    | 26.4    | 6.8   | 4.1   | 4.9    | 256.5    |
| 35 - 44                               | 96.2                                      | 65.3    | 59.6    | 19.7    | 36.6    | 8.0   | 7.9   | 6.2    | 299.6    |
| 45 - 54                               | 37.8                                      | 33.9    | 27.4    | 9.7     | 19.1    | 4.1   | 1.5   | 2.3    | 135.8    |
| 55 - 64                               | 31.7                                      | 19.5    | 19.8    | 6.3     | 9.4     | 2.9   | *     | *      | 90.3     |
| 65 and over                           | 19.0                                      | 18.0    | 18.8    | 4.8     | 8.4     | 2.0   | *     | *      | 71.6     |
| Total                                 | 816.7                                     | 571.9   | 495.3   | 179.9   | 280.4   | 71.3  | 37.9  | 44.5   | 2,497.8  |
| DID NOT CHANGE USUAL RESIDENCE ('000) |                                           |         |         |         |         |       |       |        |          |
| 0 - 4                                 | 318.2                                     | 246.2   | 153.2   | 80.3    | 87.3    | 27.9  | 10.0  | 16.9   | 940.0    |
| 5 - 9                                 | 337.3                                     | 263.4   | 163.2   | 83.4    | 90.7    | 29.9  | 12.4  | 19.2   | 999.5    |
| 10 - 14                               | 377.1                                     | 288.9   | 185.4   | 92.8    | 97.3    | 31.5  | 12.3  | 22.0   | 1,107.4  |
| 15 - 19                               | 366.0                                     | 306.8   | 168.6   | 94.3    | 97.1    | 31.1  | 13.2  | 18.6   | 1,095.7  |
| 20 - 24                               | 284.5                                     | 233.2   | 115.2   | 72.8    | 67.4    | 23.1  | 7.0   | 13.1   | 816.3    |
| 25 - 29                               | 319.9                                     | 245.7   | 141.6   | 83.3    | 77.4    | 27.6  | 8.2   | 14.9   | 918.5    |
| 30 - 34                               | 335.7                                     | 266.3   | 155.4   | 88.9    | 92.1    | 28.3  | 10.0  | 17.6   | 994.5    |
| 35 - 44                               | 698.0                                     | 528.3   | 310.1   | 176.0   | 176.3   | 54.0  | 16.1  | 36.4   | 1,995.3  |
| 45 - 54                               | 526.0                                     | 385.6   | 223.0   | 124.9   | 124.7   | 38.1  | 10.9  | 22.7   | 1,455.8  |
| 55 - 64                               | 486.2                                     | 362.2   | 201.5   | 129.0   | 107.2   | 36.8  | 5.4   | 17.8   | 1,346.0  |
| 65 and over                           | 533.8                                     | 394.7   | 228.1   | 138.8   | 109.5   | 43.7  | 3.1   | 12.1   | 1,463.9  |
| Total                                 | 4,582.7                                   | 3,521.3 | 2,045.3 | 1,164.7 | 1,127.1 | 372.0 | 108.4 | 211.4  | 13,132.9 |
| TOTAL ('000)                          |                                           |         |         |         |         |       |       |        |          |
| 0 - 4                                 | 407.3                                     | 299.6   | 204.3   | 98.6    | 115.3   | 35.3  | 15.8  | 21.0   | 1,197.3  |
| 5 - 9                                 | 398.8                                     | 297.7   | 201.7   | 94.8    | 111.2   | 34.8  | 14.7  | 22.3   | 1,176.0  |
| 10 - 14                               | 425.2                                     | 322.3   | 218.9   | 101.1   | 115.9   | 35.7  | 14.7  | 24.4   | 1,258.1  |
| 15 - 19                               | 436.2                                     | 356.5   | 221.2   | 112.3   | 120.8   | 38.9  | 14.2  | 24.0   | 1,324.0  |
| 20 - 24                               | 427.7                                     | 344.3   | 199.3   | 109.8   | 115.7   | 36.5  | 12.3  | 21.8   | 1,267.3  |
| 25 - 29                               | 447.5                                     | 339.7   | 207.0   | 111.7   | 118.6   | 37.4  | 15.0  | 21.7   | 1,298.7  |
| 30 - 34                               | 428.1                                     | 325.6   | 199.8   | 107.2   | 118.6   | 35.1  | 14.2  | 22.5   | 1,251.0  |
| 35 - 44                               | 794.3                                     | 593.6   | 369.7   | 195.7   | 213.0   | 62.0  | 24.0  | 42.7   | 2,294.9  |
| 45 - 54                               | 563.8                                     | 419.6   | 250.4   | 134.5   | 143.8   | 42.2  | 12.4  | 25.0   | 1,591.7  |
| 55 - 64                               | 517.8                                     | 381.7   | 221.3   | 135.3   | 116.6   | 39.6  | 5.9   | 18.0   | 1,436.3  |
| 65 and over                           | 552.8                                     | 412.7   | 246.9   | 143.6   | 117.8   | 45.8  | 3.4   | 12.5   | 1,535.5  |
| Total                                 | 5,399.4                                   | 4,093.2 | 2,540.6 | 1,344.5 | 1,407.5 | 443.2 | 146.4 | 255.8  | 15,630.7 |
| MOBILITY RATES(a)                     |                                           |         |         |         |         |       |       |        |          |
| 0 - 4                                 | 219                                       | 178     | 250     | 185     | 243     | 210   | 368   | 197    | 215      |
| 5 - 9                                 | 154                                       | 115     | 191     | 120     | 184     | 140   | 159   | 141    | 150      |
| 10 - 14                               | 113                                       | 103     | 153     | 82      | 160     | 116   | 162   | 100    | 120      |
| 15 - 19                               | 161                                       | 139     | 238     | 160     | 196     | 202   | 72    | 222    | 172      |
| 20 - 24                               | 335                                       | 323     | 422     | 336     | 418     | 368   | 427   | 398    | 356      |
| 25 - 29                               | 285                                       | 277     | 316     | 254     | 348     | 262   | 456   | 312    | 293      |
| 30 - 34                               | 216                                       | 182     | 222     | 170     | 223     | 194   | 292   | 216    | 205      |
| 35 - 44                               | 121                                       | 110     | 161     | 101     | 172     | 129   | 328   | 146    | 131      |
| 45 - 54                               | 67                                        | 81      | 109     | 72      | 133     | 98    | 121   | 91     | 85       |
| 55 - 64                               | 61                                        | 51      | 90      | 46      | 81      | 72    | 93    | 14     | 63       |
| 65 and over                           | 34                                        | 44      | 76      | 33      | 71      | 44    | 82    | 27     | 47       |
| Total                                 | 151                                       | 140     | 195     | 134     | 199     | 161   | 259   | 174    | 160      |

(a) Movers per 1,000 State population.

TABLE 3. ALL PERSONS WHO CHANGED USUAL RESIDENCE : TYPE OF MOVE BY STATES AND TERRITORIES, YEAR ENDED 31 MAY 1987

| Type of move                                | ('000)                     |       |       |       |       |      |      |        | Aust.   |
|---------------------------------------------|----------------------------|-------|-------|-------|-------|------|------|--------|---------|
|                                             | State of usual residence - |       |       |       |       |      |      |        |         |
|                                             | N.S.W.                     | Vic.  | Qld.  | S.A.  | W.A.  | Tas. | N.T. | A.C.T. |         |
| Moved within the same metropolitan area     | 440.0                      | 342.8 | 151.5 | 106.1 | 155.4 | 21.2 | 14.5 | 28.3   | 1,259.8 |
| Moved from metropolitan area of State -     |                            |       |       |       |       |      |      |        |         |
| Intrastate (to non-metropolitan area)       | 38.2                       | 29.3  | 25.7  | 7.4   | 21.8  | 2.1  | 1.2  | ..     | 125.7   |
| Interstate                                  | 34.1                       | 33.5  | 18.9  | 12.6  | 13.1  | 4.9  | 7.9  | 12.6   | 137.6   |
| Total                                       | 72.2                       | 62.8  | 44.7  | 20.0  | 34.9  | 7.0  | 9.1  | 12.6   | 263.2   |
| Moved to metropolitan area of State -       |                            |       |       |       |       |      |      |        |         |
| Intrastate (from non-metropolitan area)     | 26.9                       | 23.6  | 31.9  | 10.9  | 17.6  | 2.6  | 3.8  | ..     | 117.4   |
| Interstate                                  | 28.3                       | 27.3  | 24.3  | 11.9  | 19.5  | 2.5  | 5.2  | 16.2   | 135.1   |
| Total                                       | 55.2                       | 50.9  | 56.2  | 22.8  | 37.1  | 5.1  | 9.0  | 16.2   | 252.5   |
| Moved within the same non-metropolitan area | 251.6                      | 135.6 | 220.8 | 38.7  | 59.7  | 38.9 | 10.1 | ..     | 755.5   |
| Moved from non-metropolitan area of State - |                            |       |       |       |       |      |      |        |         |
| Intrastate (to metropolitan area)           | 26.9                       | 23.6  | 31.9  | 10.9  | 17.6  | 2.6  | 3.8  | ..     | 117.4   |
| Interstate                                  | 28.6                       | 21.7  | 22.7  | 9.6   | 7.0   | 6.1  | 6.2  | ..     | 101.9   |
| Total                                       | 55.4                       | 45.3  | 54.6  | 20.5  | 24.6  | 8.7  | 10.1 | ..     | 219.3   |
| Moved to non-metropolitan area of State -   |                            |       |       |       |       |      |      |        |         |
| Intrastate (from metropolitan area)         | 38.2                       | 29.3  | 25.7  | 7.4   | 21.8  | 2.1  | 1.2  | ..     | 125.7   |
| Interstate                                  | 31.7                       | 13.2  | 41.0  | 4.9   | 6.4   | 4.0  | 3.1  | ..     | 104.3   |
| Total                                       | 69.9                       | 42.5  | 66.7  | 12.3  | 28.2  | 6.1  | 4.3  | ..     | 230.0   |
| Total moved into State                      | 60.1                       | 40.5  | 65.3  | 16.7  | 25.9  | 6.5  | 8.3  | 16.2   | 239.4   |
| Total moved out of State                    | 62.6                       | 55.2  | 41.6  | 22.1  | 20.2  | 11.0 | 14.1 | 12.6   | 239.4   |
| Total moved within State                    | 756.7                      | 531.4 | 430.0 | 163.1 | 254.4 | 64.8 | 29.6 | 28.3   | 2,258.4 |

TABLE 4. ALL PERSONS WHO MOVED INTERSTATE : STATES AND TERRITORIES OF ORIGIN AND DESTINATION, YEAR ENDED 31 MAY 1987

| State of destination -<br>(usual residence at<br>31 May 1987) | ('000)                                             |      |      |      |      |      |      |        | Aust. |
|---------------------------------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------|------|------|------|------|------|------|--------|-------|
|                                                               | State of origin (usual residence at 31 May 1986) - |      |      |      |      |      |      |        |       |
|                                                               | N.S.W.                                             | Vic. | Qld. | S.A. | W.A. | Tas. | N.T. | A.C.T. |       |
| New South Wales                                               | ..                                                 | 19.3 | 20.6 | *    | 6.1  | *    | 3.1  | 6.6    | 60.1  |
| Victoria                                                      | 12.0                                               | ..   | 6.1  | 9.2  | 5.9  | *    | *    | *      | 40.5  |
| Queensland                                                    | 31.7                                               | 16.3 | ..   | 3.9  | 3.2  | 3.0  | 4.4  | 2.8    | 65.3  |
| South Australia                                               | 4.0                                                | 5.4  | 3.3  | ..   | 1.4  | *    | 1.7  | *      | 16.7  |
| Western Australia                                             | 4.7                                                | 8.3  | 4.5  | 3.2  | ..   | 2.8  | 2.1  | *      | 25.9  |
| Tasmania                                                      | 1.5                                                | 2.2  | *    | .8   | *    | ..   | *    | *      | 6.5   |
| Northern Territory                                            | 1.5                                                | 1.1  | 2.4  | 1.6  | 1.3  | *    | ..   | *      | 8.3   |
| Australian Capital Territory                                  | 7.4                                                | 2.5  | 4.0  | *    | 1.5  | *    | *    | ..     | 16.2  |
| Total Australia                                               | 62.6                                               | 55.2 | 41.6 | 22.1 | 20.2 | 11.0 | 14.1 | 12.6   | 239.4 |



TABLE 5. PERSONS AGED 15 AND OVER : CHANGE OF USUAL RESIDENCE, YEAR ENDED 31 MAY 1987 AND PREVIOUS SURVEYS

| Type of move                   | Year ended -   |                    |                    |                    |                    |                   |                   |
|--------------------------------|----------------|--------------------|--------------------|--------------------|--------------------|-------------------|-------------------|
|                                | 31 May<br>1981 | 30 June<br>1982(a) | 30 June<br>1983(a) | 30 June<br>1984(a) | 30 June<br>1985(a) | 31 May<br>1986(a) | 31 May<br>1987(a) |
| MALES ('000)                   |                |                    |                    |                    |                    |                   |                   |
| Changed usual residence        | 912.2          | 878.7              | 878.4              | 955.5              | 965.9              | 925.2             | 957.2             |
| Did not change usual residence | 4,408.2        | 4,536.4            | 4,668.0            | 4,673.6            | 4,739.0            | 4,907.1           | 4,983.9           |
| Total                          | 5,320.4        | 5,415.1            | 5,546.4            | 5,629.1            | 5,705.0            | 5,832.4           | 5,941.1           |
| FEMALES ('000)                 |                |                    |                    |                    |                    |                   |                   |
| Changed usual residence        | 896.2          | 872.8              | 863.3              | 960.9              | 967.2              | 927.8             | 956.1             |
| Did not change usual residence | 4,522.8        | 4,652.3            | 4,773.7            | 4,827.8            | 4,897.9            | 5,040.6           | 5,102.1           |
| Total                          | 5,419.1        | 5,525.1            | 5,637.0            | 5,788.7            | 5,865.0            | 5,968.4           | 6,058.2           |
| PERSONS ('000)                 |                |                    |                    |                    |                    |                   |                   |
| Changed usual residence        | 1,808.5        | 1,751.5            | 1,741.7            | 1,916.4            | 1,933.1            | 1,853.0           | 1,913.4           |
| Did not change usual residence | 8,931.0        | 9,188.7            | 9,441.7            | 9,501.4            | 9,636.9            | 9,947.8           | 10,086.0          |
| Total                          | 10,739.5       | 10,940.2           | 11,183.4           | 11,417.8           | 11,570.0           | 11,800.8          | 11,999.3          |
| MOBILITY RATES(b)              |                |                    |                    |                    |                    |                   |                   |
| Males                          | 171            | 162                | 158                | 170                | 169                | 159               | 161               |
| Females                        | 165            | 158                | 153                | 166                | 165                | 155               | 158               |
| Persons                        | 168            | 160                | 156                | 168                | 167                | 157               | 159               |

(a) Excludes all persons with no usual residence at the beginning and/or end of the survey year. See Explanatory notes.

(b) Movers per 1,000 population of the area

TABLE 6. PERSONS AGED 15 AND OVER : PLACE OF USUAL RESIDENCE AT 31 MAY 1987 BY CHANGE OF USUAL RESIDENCE, YEAR ENDED 31 MAY 1987

| Place of usual residence at 31 May 1987 | ('000)                  |         |         |                                |         |          |         |         |          |                   |         |         |
|-----------------------------------------|-------------------------|---------|---------|--------------------------------|---------|----------|---------|---------|----------|-------------------|---------|---------|
|                                         | Changed usual residence |         |         | Did not change usual residence |         |          | Total   |         |          | Mobility rates(a) |         |         |
|                                         | Males                   | Females | Total   | Males                          | Females | Total    | Males   | Females | Total    | Males             | Females | Persons |
| New South Wales                         |                         |         |         |                                |         |          |         |         |          |                   |         |         |
| Metropolitan                            | 191.0                   | 192.7   | 383.7   | 1,084.0                        | 1,130.4 | 2,214.4  | 1,275.0 | 1,323.1 | 2,598.1  | 150               | 146     | 148     |
| Ex-metropolitan                         | 115.2                   | 119.1   | 234.3   | 671.8                          | 664.0   | 1,335.7  | 787.0   | 783.1   | 1,570.1  | 146               | 152     | 149     |
| Total                                   | 306.2                   | 311.8   | 618.0   | 1,755.8                        | 1,794.4 | 3,550.1  | 2,062.0 | 2,106.2 | 4,168.1  | 149               | 148     | 148     |
| Victoria                                |                         |         |         |                                |         |          |         |         |          |                   |         |         |
| Metropolitan                            | 155.6                   | 157.1   | 312.8   | 954.9                          | 996.3   | 1,951.7  | 1,110.6 | 1,153.9 | 2,264.5  | 140               | 136     | 138     |
| Ex-metropolitan                         | 70.1                    | 68.0    | 138.2   | 383.6                          | 387.5   | 771.0    | 453.7   | 455.5   | 909.2    | 155               | 149     | 152     |
| Total                                   | 225.8                   | 225.2   | 450.9   | 1,338.5                        | 1,384.2 | 2,722.7  | 1,564.2 | 1,609.4 | 3,173.6  | 144               | 140     | 142     |
| Queensland                              |                         |         |         |                                |         |          |         |         |          |                   |         |         |
| Metropolitan                            | 79.5                    | 79.1    | 158.6   | 355.1                          | 374.4   | 729.6    | 434.6   | 453.5   | 888.1    | 183               | 174     | 179     |
| Ex-metropolitan                         | 108.6                   | 105.0   | 213.6   | 409.4                          | 404.5   | 813.9    | 518.0   | 509.5   | 1,027.5  | 210               | 206     | 208     |
| Total                                   | 188.1                   | 184.1   | 372.2   | 764.5                          | 778.9   | 1,543.4  | 952.6   | 963.0   | 1,915.6  | 197               | 191     | 194     |
| South Australia                         |                         |         |         |                                |         |          |         |         |          |                   |         |         |
| Metropolitan                            | 51.3                    | 51.8    | 103.0   | 319.9                          | 344.1   | 664.0    | 371.2   | 395.9   | 767.0    | 138               | 131     | 134     |
| Ex-metropolitan                         | 18.9                    | 20.0    | 38.9    | 125.9                          | 118.2   | 244.1    | 144.8   | 138.2   | 283.0    | 131               | 145     | 137     |
| Total                                   | 70.2                    | 71.7    | 141.9   | 445.8                          | 462.3   | 908.1    | 516.0   | 534.1   | 1,050.1  | 136               | 134     | 135     |
| Western Australia                       |                         |         |         |                                |         |          |         |         |          |                   |         |         |
| Metropolitan                            | 75.5                    | 74.8    | 150.2   | 298.3                          | 315.4   | 613.7    | 373.8   | 390.2   | 763.9    | 202               | 192     | 197     |
| Ex-metropolitan                         | 33.3                    | 29.7    | 63.0    | 128.4                          | 109.7   | 238.1    | 161.7   | 139.4   | 301.1    | 206               | 213     | 209     |
| Total                                   | 108.8                   | 104.4   | 213.3   | 426.6                          | 425.1   | 851.7    | 535.5   | 529.5   | 1,065.0  | 203               | 197     | 200     |
| Tasmania                                |                         |         |         |                                |         |          |         |         |          |                   |         |         |
| Metropolitan                            | 10.7                    | 10.2    | 20.9    | 56.2                           | 60.1    | 116.4    | 67.0    | 70.3    | 137.3    | 160               | 145     | 152     |
| Ex-metropolitan                         | 17.2                    | 16.7    | 33.9    | 82.8                           | 83.5    | 166.3    | 100.0   | 100.2   | 200.2    | 172               | 167     | 170     |
| Total                                   | 28.0                    | 26.9    | 54.9    | 139.0                          | 143.6   | 282.6    | 167.0   | 170.5   | 337.5    | 168               | 158     | 163     |
| Northern Territory                      |                         |         |         |                                |         |          |         |         |          |                   |         |         |
| Metropolitan                            | 8.5                     | 8.6     | 17.1    | 26.3                           | 24.9    | 51.2     | 34.8    | 33.5    | 68.3     | 245               | 256     | 250     |
| Ex-metropolitan                         | 6.2                     | 4.1     | 10.3    | 11.6                           | 11.0    | 22.6     | 17.8    | 15.1    | 32.9     | 350               | 271     | 314     |
| Total                                   | 14.7                    | 12.7    | 27.4    | 37.9                           | 36.0    | 73.8     | 52.6    | 48.6    | 101.2    | 280               | 261     | 271     |
| Australian Capital Territory            |                         |         |         |                                |         |          |         |         |          |                   |         |         |
| Metropolitan                            | 15.4                    | 19.3    | 34.7    | 75.8                           | 77.5    | 153.3    | 91.2    | 96.9    | 188.1    | 169               | 200     | 185     |
| Ex-metropolitan                         | ..                      | ..      | ..      | ..                             | ..      | ..       | ..      | ..      | ..       | ..                | ..      | ..      |
| Total                                   | 15.4                    | 19.3    | 34.7    | 75.8                           | 77.5    | 153.3    | 91.2    | 96.9    | 188.1    | 169               | 200     | 185     |
| Australia                               |                         |         |         |                                |         |          |         |         |          |                   |         |         |
| Metropolitan                            | 587.5                   | 593.5   | 1,181.0 | 3,170.6                        | 3,323.7 | 6,494.3  | 3,758.1 | 3,917.2 | 7,675.3  | 156               | 152     | 154     |
| Ex-metropolitan                         | 369.7                   | 362.6   | 732.3   | 1,813.3                        | 1,778.3 | 3,591.7  | 2,183.0 | 2,141.0 | 4,324.0  | 169               | 169     | 169     |
| Total                                   | 957.2                   | 956.1   | 1,913.4 | 4,983.9                        | 5,102.1 | 10,086.0 | 5,941.1 | 6,058.2 | 11,999.3 | 161               | 158     | 159     |

(a) Movers per 1,000 population of the area



TABLE 7. PERSONS AGED 15 AND OVER WHO CHANGED USUAL RESIDENCE :  
AGE AND EMPLOYMENT STATUS, YEAR ENDED 31 MAY 1987

| Age group<br>(years) | Employment status(a) |                   |                            |       |          |                   |                            |       |
|----------------------|----------------------|-------------------|----------------------------|-------|----------|-------------------|----------------------------|-------|
|                      | Males                |                   |                            |       | Females  |                   |                            |       |
|                      | Employed             | Unemployed<br>(b) | Not in the<br>labour force | Total | Employed | Unemployed<br>(b) | Not in the<br>labour force | Total |
| NUMBER ('000)        |                      |                   |                            |       |          |                   |                            |       |
| 15 - 19              | 49.0                 | 16.2              | 35.0                       | 100.2 | 58.8     | 23.5              | 45.9                       | 128.1 |
| 20 - 24              | 168.8                | 28.1              | 15.6                       | 212.5 | 161.3    | 19.2              | 58.0                       | 238.5 |
| 25 - 29              | 168.7                | 20.4              | 8.8                        | 197.9 | 111.6    | 10.3              | 60.4                       | 182.3 |
| 30 - 34              | 117.9                | 10.6              | 7.5                        | 135.9 | 69.1     | 8.4               | 43.0                       | 120.6 |
| 35 - 44              | 136.1                | 15.6              | 8.7                        | 160.4 | 80.4     | 9.4               | 49.3                       | 139.2 |
| 45 - 54              | 54.7                 | 6.0               | 10.1                       | 70.8  | 29.7     | 3.8               | 31.5                       | 65.1  |
| 55 - 64              | 20.2                 | 4.0               | 21.7                       | 45.9  | 6.1      | *                 | 37.2                       | 44.4  |
| 65 and over          | *                    | *                 | 31.6                       | 33.6  | *        | *                 | 37.4                       | 38.0  |
| Total                | 717.2                | 101.0             | 139.0                      | 957.2 | 517.6    | 75.7              | 362.7                      | 956.1 |
| MOBILITY RATES(c)    |                      |                   |                            |       |          |                   |                            |       |
| 15 - 19              | 146                  | 218               | 133                        | 149   | 192      | 307               | 170                        | 197   |
| 20 - 24              | 325                  | 444               | 276                        | 332   | 369      | 455               | 391                        | 380   |
| 25 - 29              | 297                  | 416               | 315                        | 307   | 289      | 368               | 251                        | 279   |
| 30 - 34              | 207                  | 332               | 296                        | 217   | 192      | 342               | 179                        | 193   |
| 35 - 44              | 130                  | 297               | 160                        | 139   | 113      | 223               | 128                        | 122   |
| 45 - 54              | 78                   | 181               | 123                        | 87    | 72       | 200               | 91                         | 84    |
| 55 - 64              | 49                   | 138               | 80                         | 64    | 38       | *                 | 67                         | 62    |
| 65 and over          | *                    | *                 | 52                         | 50    | *        | *                 | 45                         | 44    |
| Total                | 170                  | 302               | 100                        | 161   | 185      | 318               | 120                        | 158   |

(a) Employment status at the time of the survey.

(b) Includes those persons looking for their first job and those looking for part-time work.

(c) Movers per 1,000 population of the same sex, age group, and employment status.

TABLE 8. PERSONS AGED 15 AND OVER WHO CHANGED USUAL RESIDENCE :  
AGE BY SEX BY REASON FOR MOVING, YEAR ENDED 31 MAY 1987

| ('000)               |                                             |                           |                 |                                     |                            |                                    |       |                                                      |                 |                                  |       |       |                             |                            |       |         |
|----------------------|---------------------------------------------|---------------------------|-----------------|-------------------------------------|----------------------------|------------------------------------|-------|------------------------------------------------------|-----------------|----------------------------------|-------|-------|-----------------------------|----------------------------|-------|---------|
| Age group<br>(years) | Reason for moving -                         |                           |                 |                                     |                            |                                    |       |                                                      |                 |                                  |       |       |                             |                            |       |         |
|                      | Had to<br>move<br>out<br>/forced<br>move(a) | Finan-<br>cial<br>reasons | Employ-<br>ment | Closer<br>to work,<br>school<br>etc | Location<br>Better<br>area | Closer<br>to<br>family/<br>friends | Total | Moved<br>out from<br>home/to<br>be indep-<br>-endent | Larger<br>house | Housing<br>To buy<br>own<br>home | Other | Total | Marital<br>status<br>change | Retire-<br>ment/<br>health | Other | Total   |
| MALES                |                                             |                           |                 |                                     |                            |                                    |       |                                                      |                 |                                  |       |       |                             |                            |       |         |
| 15 - 19              | 10.0                                        | 5.5                       | 14.1            | 14.5                                | 4.8                        | 5.7                                | 25.0  | 9.7                                                  | 7.1             | 7.5                              | 8.1   | 22.7  | *                           | *                          | 11.6  | 100.2   |
| 20 - 24              | 20.2                                        | 17.7                      | 31.9            | 13.3                                | 10.4                       | 12.7                               | 36.5  | 26.2                                                 | 12.7            | 15.6                             | 12.7  | 41.1  | 23.6                        | *                          | 15.4  | 212.5   |
| 25 - 29              | 18.7                                        | 12.7                      | 34.5            | 11.5                                | 11.7                       | 7.3                                | 30.5  | 14.3                                                 | 14.8            | 32.6                             | 9.5   | 56.9  | 20.5                        | *                          | 9.0   | 197.9   |
| 30 - 34              | 11.7                                        | 9.0                       | 24.8            | 7.1                                 | 9.1                        | 5.6                                | 21.8  | 3.9                                                  | 14.8            | 24.7                             | 9.7   | 49.2  | 9.9                         | *                          | 5.3   | 135.9   |
| 35 - 44              | 13.2                                        | 6.2                       | 33.6            | 10.1                                | 11.8                       | 4.4                                | 26.3  | *                                                    | 19.7            | 25.7                             | 12.7  | 58.1  | 9.9                         | *                          | 9.8   | 160.4   |
| 45 - 54              | 6.1                                         | 4.0                       | 9.1             | 4.4                                 | 4.4                        | *                                  | 10.3  | *                                                    | 8.4             | 10.3                             | 10.0  | 28.8  | 5.1                         | *                          | 5.1   | 70.8    |
| 55 - 64              | 5.8                                         | *                         | 4.2             | *                                   | 4.0                        | *                                  | 7.0   | *                                                    | *               | 4.1                              | 8.8   | 15.3  | *                           | 7.4                        | *     | 45.9    |
| 65 and over          | 2.8                                         | *                         | *               | *                                   | *                          | 4.3                                | 7.4   | *                                                    | *               | *                                | 5.2   | 8.0   | *                           | 8.7                        | 2.7   | 33.6    |
| Total                | 88.5                                        | 58.2                      | 152.6           | 62.5                                | 58.8                       | 43.4                               | 164.7 | 56.0                                                 | 81.8            | 121.5                            | 76.7  | 280.1 | 74.6                        | 22.1                       | 60.6  | 957.2   |
| FEMALES              |                                             |                           |                 |                                     |                            |                                    |       |                                                      |                 |                                  |       |       |                             |                            |       |         |
| 15 - 19              | 13.2                                        | 7.2                       | 12.9            | 17.7                                | 5.0                        | 8.8                                | 31.5  | 17.2                                                 | 10.1            | 7.5                              | 8.3   | 25.9  | 7.0                         | *                          | 12.3  | 128.1   |
| 20 - 24              | 24.5                                        | 15.9                      | 28.1            | 15.4                                | 9.8                        | 17.2                               | 42.4  | 23.8                                                 | 14.5            | 22.9                             | 10.2  | 47.7  | 36.1                        | *                          | 19.5  | 238.5   |
| 25 - 29              | 18.4                                        | 12.9                      | 24.5            | 7.8                                 | 12.3                       | 9.5                                | 29.5  | 8.6                                                  | 17.7            | 29.1                             | 10.7  | 57.4  | 21.0                        | *                          | 8.6   | 182.3   |
| 30 - 34              | 8.8                                         | 8.7                       | 19.7            | 8.3                                 | 5.6                        | 5.9                                | 19.8  | 3.1                                                  | 12.6            | 21.2                             | 9.1   | 42.9  | 10.4                        | *                          | 6.0   | 120.6   |
| 35 - 44              | 12.3                                        | 6.2                       | 22.6            | 8.2                                 | 9.9                        | 3.3                                | 21.5  | *                                                    | 16.7            | 23.1                             | 11.2  | 51.0  | 12.0                        | *                          | 10.3  | 139.2   |
| 45 - 54              | 5.6                                         | 3.1                       | 5.1             | 4.1                                 | 5.5                        | 3.0                                | 12.6  | *                                                    | 6.1             | 7.2                              | 11.1  | 24.4  | 5.2                         | 3.3                        | 4.9   | 65.1    |
| 55 - 64              | 4.3                                         | *                         | *               | *                                   | 2.9                        | *                                  | 6.8   | *                                                    | *               | 4.5                              | 9.9   | 17.0  | *                           | 6.7                        | *     | 44.4    |
| 65 and over          | *                                           | *                         | *               | *                                   | *                          | 7.6                                | 11.4  | *                                                    | *               | *                                | 9.1   | 11.4  | *                           | 7.4                        | *     | 38.0    |
| Total                | 88.9                                        | 58.7                      | 115.8           | 64.0                                | 53.6                       | 57.9                               | 175.5 | 55.6                                                 | 82.0            | 116.0                            | 79.6  | 277.6 | 95.0                        | 22.9                       | 66.1  | 956.1   |
| PERSONS              |                                             |                           |                 |                                     |                            |                                    |       |                                                      |                 |                                  |       |       |                             |                            |       |         |
| 15 - 19              | 23.3                                        | 12.7                      | 27.0            | 32.2                                | 9.8                        | 14.5                               | 56.5  | 26.9                                                 | 17.2            | 15.0                             | 16.4  | 48.6  | 7.8                         | *                          | 23.9  | 228.3   |
| 20 - 24              | 44.7                                        | 33.5                      | 60.0            | 28.7                                | 20.3                       | 29.9                               | 78.9  | 50.0                                                 | 27.2            | 38.6                             | 23.0  | 88.8  | 59.7                        | *                          | 35.0  | 451.0   |
| 25 - 29              | 37.1                                        | 25.6                      | 59.0            | 19.3                                | 24.0                       | 16.7                               | 60.1  | 22.9                                                 | 32.5            | 61.7                             | 20.1  | 114.3 | 41.5                        | *                          | 17.6  | 380.2   |
| 30 - 34              | 20.6                                        | 17.7                      | 44.4            | 15.4                                | 14.7                       | 11.5                               | 41.6  | 7.0                                                  | 27.4            | 45.9                             | 18.8  | 92.1  | 20.3                        | *                          | 11.3  | 256.5   |
| 35 - 44              | 25.5                                        | 12.4                      | 56.2            | 18.4                                | 21.8                       | 7.7                                | 47.8  | 2.7                                                  | 36.4            | 48.8                             | 23.9  | 109.0 | 21.9                        | 4.0                        | 20.1  | 299.6   |
| 45 - 54              | 11.6                                        | 7.1                       | 14.2            | 8.5                                 | 9.9                        | 4.5                                | 22.8  | *                                                    | 14.5            | 17.5                             | 21.2  | 53.2  | 10.3                        | 5.1                        | 10.0  | 135.8   |
| 55 - 64              | 10.1                                        | 4.5                       | 6.5             | *                                   | 6.9                        | 4.6                                | 13.7  | *                                                    | 5.0             | 8.6                              | 18.7  | 32.3  | 4.5                         | 14.1                       | 4.3   | 90.3    |
| 65 and over          | 4.5                                         | 3.3                       | *               | *                                   | 5.0                        | 11.9                               | 18.7  | *                                                    | 3.6             | *                                | 14.3  | 19.5  | 3.5                         | 16.1                       | 4.6   | 71.6    |
| Total                | 177.4                                       | 116.9                     | 268.4           | 126.5                               | 112.4                      | 101.3                              | 340.2 | 111.6                                                | 163.8           | 237.5                            | 156.4 | 557.7 | 169.5                       | 45.0                       | 126.7 | 1,913.4 |

(a) Move due to circumstances beyond the mover's control, the principal reasons being the sale by the landlord of a rental property, a lease not renewed, resumption or demolition of properties and natural calamities.



TABLE 9. PERSONS AGED 15 AND OVER WHO CHANGED USUAL RESIDENCE :  
TYPE OF MOVE, YEAR ENDED 31 MAY 1987 AND PREVIOUS SURVEYS

| Type of move                                | Year ended -      |                    |                    |                    |                    |                   |                   |
|---------------------------------------------|-------------------|--------------------|--------------------|--------------------|--------------------|-------------------|-------------------|
|                                             | ('000)            |                    |                    |                    |                    |                   |                   |
|                                             | 31 May<br>1981(a) | 30 June<br>1982(b) | 30 June<br>1983(b) | 30 June<br>1984(b) | 30 June<br>1985(b) | 31 May<br>1986(b) | 31 May<br>1987(b) |
| MALES                                       |                   |                    |                    |                    |                    |                   |                   |
| Moved intrastate -                          |                   |                    |                    |                    |                    |                   |                   |
| Within metropolitan area                    | 460.9             | 426.0              | 466.4              | 505.6              | 494.1              | 462.2             | 485.0             |
| Within non-metropolitan area                | 268.6             | 263.1              | 243.4              | 279.8              | 292.0              | 281.7             | 281.0             |
| From metropolitan to non-metropolitan area  | 49.4              | 42.2               | 41.2               | 46.2               | 47.6               | 42.6              | 46.8              |
| From non-metropolitan to metropolitan area  | 36.0              | 41.3               | 39.2               | 38.6               | 42.1               | 42.4              | 48.1              |
| Total                                       | 814.8             | 772.6              | 790.2              | 870.2              | 875.7              | 828.9             | 860.9             |
| Moved interstate -                          |                   |                    |                    |                    |                    |                   |                   |
| Between metropolitan areas                  | 25.6              | 29.7               | 35.2               | 32.9               | 30.4               | 33.5              | 35.9              |
| Between non-metropolitan areas              | 30.8              | 28.0               | 18.2               | 17.5               | 21.7               | 20.7              | 22.4              |
| From metropolitan to non-metropolitan area  | 21.9              | 27.0               | 14.9               | 18.5               | 17.1               | 20.2              | 19.5              |
| From non-metropolitan to metropolitan area  | 19.1              | 21.4               | 19.7               | 16.4               | 21.0               | 21.9              | 18.5              |
| Total                                       | 97.4              | 106.1              | 88.0               | 85.3               | 90.2               | 96.3              | 96.3              |
| Total movement -                            |                   |                    |                    |                    |                    |                   |                   |
| Within or between metropolitan areas        | 486.5             | 455.7              | 501.7              | 538.5              | 524.5              | 495.7             | 520.9             |
| Within or between non-metropolitan areas    | 299.4             | 291.1              | 261.5              | 297.3              | 313.8              | 302.4             | 303.4             |
| From metropolitan to non-metropolitan areas | 71.3              | 69.3               | 56.1               | 64.8               | 64.6               | 62.8              | 66.3              |
| From non-metropolitan to metropolitan areas | 55.1              | 62.7               | 58.9               | 54.9               | 63.1               | 64.3              | 66.6              |
| Total                                       | 912.2             | 878.7              | 878.2              | 955.5              | 965.9              | 925.2             | 957.2             |
| FEMALES                                     |                   |                    |                    |                    |                    |                   |                   |
| Moved intrastate -                          |                   |                    |                    |                    |                    |                   |                   |
| Within metropolitan area                    | 463.7             | 431.2              | 462.7              | 526.2              | 511.1              | 470.2             | 495.0             |
| Within non-metropolitan area                | 251.4             | 249.0              | 241.0              | 268.4              | 269.5              | 275.9             | 272.0             |
| From metropolitan to non-metropolitan area  | 45.6              | 46.8               | 39.4               | 44.8               | 49.6               | 41.4              | 49.0              |
| From non-metropolitan to metropolitan area  | 39.1              | 43.5               | 35.6               | 41.0               | 40.8               | 45.5              | 43.2              |
| Total                                       | 799.8             | 770.6              | 778.7              | 880.5              | 871.0              | 833.0             | 859.3             |
| Moved interstate -                          |                   |                    |                    |                    |                    |                   |                   |
| Between metropolitan areas                  | 28.9              | 28.8               | 34.9               | 35.1               | 37.7               | 34.9              | 34.0              |
| Between non-metropolitan areas              | 27.8              | 24.3               | 14.7               | 12.7               | 18.7               | 16.0              | 20.8              |
| From metropolitan to non-metropolitan area  | 21.3              | 29.9               | 15.5               | 18.2               | 17.2               | 22.5              | 20.7              |
| From non-metropolitan to metropolitan area  | 18.5              | 19.2               | 19.4               | 14.3               | 22.5               | 21.3              | 21.2              |
| Total                                       | 96.5              | 102.2              | 84.5               | 80.4               | 96.1               | 94.7              | 96.8              |
| Total movement -                            |                   |                    |                    |                    |                    |                   |                   |
| Within or between metropolitan areas        | 492.6             | 460.0              | 497.6              | 561.3              | 548.7              | 505.1             | 529.0             |
| Within or between non-metropolitan areas    | 279.2             | 273.3              | 255.7              | 281.1              | 288.2              | 292.0             | 292.8             |
| From metropolitan to non-metropolitan areas | 66.9              | 76.7               | 55.0               | 63.1               | 66.8               | 63.9              | 69.8              |
| From non-metropolitan to metropolitan areas | 57.6              | 62.7               | 55.1               | 55.4               | 63.4               | 66.8              | 64.5              |
| Total                                       | 896.2             | 872.8              | 863.3              | 960.9              | 967.2              | 927.8             | 956.1             |
| PERSONS                                     |                   |                    |                    |                    |                    |                   |                   |
| Moved intrastate -                          |                   |                    |                    |                    |                    |                   |                   |
| Within metropolitan area                    | 924.6             | 857.2              | 929.1              | 1,031.9            | 1,005.1            | 932.4             | 980.0             |
| Within non-metropolitan area                | 520.0             | 512.1              | 484.3              | 548.2              | 561.6              | 557.6             | 553.1             |
| From metropolitan to non-metropolitan area  | 95.0              | 89.1               | 80.7               | 91.1               | 97.2               | 84.0              | 95.8              |
| From non-metropolitan to metropolitan area  | 75.0              | 84.8               | 74.8               | 79.6               | 82.9               | 87.9              | 91.4              |
| Total                                       | 1,614.6           | 1,543.2            | 1,568.9            | 1,750.7            | 1,746.8            | 1,661.9           | 1,720.2           |
| Moved interstate -                          |                   |                    |                    |                    |                    |                   |                   |
| Between metropolitan areas                  | 54.4              | 58.4               | 70.1               | 68.0               | 68.1               | 68.4              | 70.0              |
| Between non-metropolitan areas              | 58.6              | 52.4               | 32.8               | 30.2               | 40.4               | 36.7              | 43.1              |
| From metropolitan to non-metropolitan area  | 43.2              | 56.9               | 30.4               | 36.7               | 34.3               | 42.7              | 40.3              |
| From non-metropolitan to metropolitan area  | 37.7              | 40.6               | 39.1               | 30.7               | 43.5               | 43.2              | 39.7              |
| Total                                       | 193.8             | 208.3              | 172.5              | 165.7              | 186.3              | 191.1             | 193.1             |
| Total movement -                            |                   |                    |                    |                    |                    |                   |                   |
| Within or between metropolitan areas        | 979.0             | 915.6              | 999.2              | 1,099.8            | 1,073.2            | 1,000.8           | 1,050.0           |
| Within or between non-metropolitan areas    | 578.6             | 564.5              | 517.2              | 578.4              | 602.0              | 594.3             | 596.2             |
| From metropolitan to non-metropolitan areas | 138.2             | 146.0              | 111.1              | 127.8              | 131.4              | 126.8             | 136.1             |
| From non-metropolitan to metropolitan areas | 112.7             | 125.4              | 114.0              | 110.3              | 126.5              | 131.1             | 131.1             |
| Total                                       | 1,808.5           | 1,751.5            | 1,741.5            | 1,916.4            | 1,933.1            | 1,853.0           | 1,913.4           |

(a) Canberra and Darwin statistical divisions classified as non-metropolitan

(b) Excludes all persons with no usual residence at the beginning and/or end of the survey year. See Explanatory notes.



TABLE 10. PERSONS AGED 15 AND OVER WHO CHANGED USUAL RESIDENCE :  
TYPE OF MOVE BY STATE AND BIRTHPLACE, YEAR ENDED 31 MAY 1987  
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| Type of move                                | State of usual residence - |       |       |       |       |      |      |        | Aust.   |
|---------------------------------------------|----------------------------|-------|-------|-------|-------|------|------|--------|---------|
|                                             | N.S.W                      | Vic.  | Qld.  | S.A.  | W.A.  | Tas. | N.T. | A.C.T. |         |
| AUSTRALIAN-BORN                             |                            |       |       |       |       |      |      |        |         |
| Moved within the same metropolitan area     | 217.1                      | 177.1 | 89.4  | 57.9  | 76.8  | 14.9 | 6.3  | 16.0   | 655.4   |
| Moved from metropolitan area of State -     |                            |       |       |       |       |      |      |        |         |
| Intrastate (to non-metropolitan area)       | 21.3                       | 20.6  | 17.3  | 4.2   | 10.1  | 1.7  | *    | ..     | 75.7    |
| Interstate                                  | 19.7                       | 19.9  | 11.5  | 8.8   | 8.6   | 3.0  | 4.8  | 8.0    | 84.3    |
| Total                                       | 41.0                       | 40.5  | 28.8  | 13.0  | 18.6  | 4.8  | 5.3  | 8.0    | 160.0   |
| Moved to metropolitan area of State -       |                            |       |       |       |       |      |      |        |         |
| Intrastate (from non-metropolitan area)     | 19.8                       | 17.0  | 19.6  | 6.3   | 10.4  | 1.8  | 1.2  | ..     | 76.2    |
| Interstate                                  | 16.4                       | 17.1  | 15.3  | 8.0   | 11.5  | 1.7  | 3.6  | 9.6    | 83.1    |
| Total                                       | 36.2                       | 34.1  | 34.8  | 14.4  | 21.9  | 3.4  | 4.8  | 9.6    | 159.3   |
| Moved within the same non-metropolitan area | 166.9                      | 94.2  | 136.5 | 23.8  | 33.0  | 26.2 | 4.0  | ..     | 484.7   |
| Moved from non-metropolitan area of State - |                            |       |       |       |       |      |      |        |         |
| Intrastate (to metropolitan area)           | 19.8                       | 17.0  | 19.6  | 6.3   | 10.4  | 1.8  | 1.2  | ..     | 76.2    |
| Interstate                                  | 21.5                       | 13.0  | 15.0  | 5.8   | 4.2   | 4.9  | 4.7  | ..     | 69.1    |
| Total                                       | 41.3                       | 30.0  | 34.5  | 12.2  | 14.6  | 6.7  | 5.9  | ..     | 145.3   |
| Moved to non-metropolitan area of State -   |                            |       |       |       |       |      |      |        |         |
| Intrastate (from metropolitan area)         | 21.3                       | 20.6  | 17.3  | 4.2   | 10.1  | 1.7  | *    | ..     | 75.7    |
| Interstate                                  | 22.0                       | 10.5  | 26.2  | 3.0   | 4.0   | 2.3  | 2.2  | ..     | 70.4    |
| Total                                       | 43.3                       | 31.2  | 43.5  | 7.2   | 14.1  | 4.1  | 2.7  | ..     | 146.0   |
| Total moved into State                      | 38.5                       | 27.6  | 41.5  | 11.1  | 15.5  | 4.0  | 5.8  | 9.6    | 153.5   |
| Total moved out of State                    | 41.2                       | 32.9  | 26.5  | 14.6  | 12.8  | 8.0  | 9.5  | 8.0    | 153.5   |
| Total moved within State                    | 425.2                      | 308.9 | 262.8 | 92.2  | 130.2 | 44.5 | 12.0 | 16.0   | 1,291.9 |
| OVERSEAS-BORN                               |                            |       |       |       |       |      |      |        |         |
| Moved within the same metropolitan area     | 119.2                      | 95.0  | 26.5  | 26.8  | 44.5  | 2.1  | 4.3  | 6.2    | 324.6   |
| Moved from metropolitan area of State -     |                            |       |       |       |       |      |      |        |         |
| Intrastate (to non-metropolitan area)       | 6.9                        | 3.2   | 2.3   | 1.8   | 5.5   | *    | *    | ..     | 20.1    |
| Interstate                                  | 7.4                        | 6.4   | 3.2   | *     | 2.6   | *    | *    | 2.4    | 25.9    |
| Total                                       | 14.3                       | 9.5   | 5.4   | 3.1   | 8.1   | *    | 1.9  | 2.4    | 46.1    |
| Moved to metropolitan area of State -       |                            |       |       |       |       |      |      |        |         |
| Intrastate (from non-metropolitan area)     | 3.6                        | *     | 3.7   | 2.1   | 2.8   | *    | *    | ..     | 15.2    |
| Interstate                                  | 7.5                        | 4.7   | 4.1   | 1.9   | 4.3   | *    | *    | 2.9    | 26.6    |
| Total                                       | 11.1                       | 6.6   | 7.9   | 4.0   | 7.1   | *    | 1.7  | 2.9    | 41.8    |
| Moved within the same non-metropolitan area | 14.7                       | 8.5   | 24.8  | 5.1   | 9.4   | 2.7  | 3.2  | ..     | 68.4    |
| Moved from non-metropolitan area of State - |                            |       |       |       |       |      |      |        |         |
| Intrastate (to metropolitan area)           | 3.6                        | *     | 3.7   | 2.1   | 2.8   | *    | *    | ..     | 15.2    |
| Interstate                                  | 3.3                        | 3.9   | 4.2   | *     | *     | *    | *    | ..     | 13.7    |
| Total                                       | 6.9                        | 5.8   | 7.9   | 2.6   | 3.8   | *    | *    | ..     | 28.9    |
| Moved to non-metropolitan area of State -   |                            |       |       |       |       |      |      |        |         |
| Intrastate (from metropolitan area)         | 6.9                        | 3.2   | 2.3   | 1.8   | 5.5   | *    | *    | ..     | 20.1    |
| Interstate                                  | *                          | *     | 6.6   | *     | *     | 0.8  | *    | ..     | 13.1    |
| Total                                       | 9.4                        | 4.2   | 8.8   | 2.7   | 6.6   | 1.0  | *    | ..     | 33.2    |
| Total moved into State                      | 10.0                       | 5.8   | 10.7  | 2.9   | 5.3   | 1.0  | 1.1  | 2.9    | 39.6    |
| Total moved out of State                    | 10.7                       | 10.2  | 7.4   | *     | 3.6   | *    | 2.1  | 2.4    | 39.6    |
| Total moved within State                    | 144.4                      | 108.6 | 57.3  | 35.8  | 62.2  | 5.4  | 8.5  | 6.2    | 428.3   |
| ALL BIRTHPLACES                             |                            |       |       |       |       |      |      |        |         |
| Moved within the same metropolitan area     | 336.3                      | 272.1 | 115.9 | 84.6  | 121.3 | 16.9 | 10.5 | 22.3   | 980.0   |
| Moved from metropolitan area of State -     |                            |       |       |       |       |      |      |        |         |
| Intrastate (to non-metropolitan area)       | 28.2                       | 23.8  | 19.6  | 6.0   | 15.6  | 2.0  | *    | ..     | 95.8    |
| Interstate                                  | 27.1                       | 26.3  | 14.7  | 10.1  | 11.2  | 4.1  | 6.5  | 10.3   | 110.3   |
| Total                                       | 55.3                       | 50.1  | 34.2  | 16.1  | 26.8  | 6.0  | 7.3  | 10.3   | 206.1   |
| Moved to metropolitan area of State -       |                            |       |       |       |       |      |      |        |         |
| Intrastate (from non-metropolitan area)     | 23.4                       | 18.9  | 23.3  | 8.4   | 13.2  | 2.1  | 2.0  | ..     | 91.4    |
| Interstate                                  | 23.9                       | 21.8  | 19.4  | 9.9   | 15.7  | 1.9  | 4.6  | 12.5   | 109.7   |
| Total                                       | 47.3                       | 40.7  | 42.7  | 18.4  | 28.9  | 4.0  | 6.5  | 12.5   | 201.0   |
| Moved within the same non-metropolitan area | 181.6                      | 102.8 | 161.3 | 29.0  | 42.3  | 28.9 | 7.2  | ..     | 553.1   |
| Moved from non-metropolitan area of State - |                            |       |       |       |       |      |      |        |         |
| Intrastate (to metropolitan area)           | 23.4                       | 18.9  | 23.3  | 8.4   | 13.2  | 2.1  | 2.0  | ..     | 91.4    |
| Interstate                                  | 24.8                       | 16.8  | 19.2  | 6.3   | 5.2   | 5.5  | 5.1  | ..     | 82.8    |
| Total                                       | 48.2                       | 35.8  | 42.4  | 14.7  | 18.4  | 7.6  | 7.1  | ..     | 174.2   |
| Moved to non-metropolitan area of State -   |                            |       |       |       |       |      |      |        |         |
| Intrastate (from metropolitan area)         | 28.2                       | 23.8  | 19.6  | 6.0   | 15.6  | 2.0  | *    | ..     | 95.8    |
| Interstate                                  | 24.5                       | 11.6  | 32.8  | 4.0   | 5.1   | 3.1  | 2.3  | ..     | 83.4    |
| Total                                       | 52.7                       | 35.4  | 52.3  | 9.9   | 20.7  | 5.1  | 3.1  | ..     | 179.3   |
| Total moved into State                      | 48.5                       | 33.4  | 52.2  | 13.9  | 20.8  | 5.0  | 6.9  | 12.5   | 193.1   |
| Total moved out of State                    | 51.9                       | 43.1  | 33.8  | 16.4  | 16.4  | 9.5  | 11.6 | 10.3   | 193.1   |
| Total moved within State                    | 569.5                      | 417.5 | 320.0 | 128.0 | 192.4 | 49.9 | 20.5 | 22.3   | 1,720.2 |



TABLE 11. METROPOLITAN MOBILITY RATES(a) OF PERSONS AGED 15 AND OVER :TYPE OF MOVE  
BY STATE AND BIRTHPLACE, YEAR ENDED 31 MAY 1987

| Type of move                            | State of usual residence - |      |      |      |      |      |      |        |
|-----------------------------------------|----------------------------|------|------|------|------|------|------|--------|
|                                         | N.S.W.                     | Vic. | Qld. | S.A. | W.A. | Tas. | N.T. | A.C.T. |
| AUSTRALIAN-BORN                         |                            |      |      |      |      |      |      |        |
| Moved within the same metropolitan area | 124                        | 119  | 128  | 112  | 158  | 123  | 133  | 126    |
| Moved from metropolitan area of State - |                            |      |      |      |      |      |      |        |
| Intrastate (to non-metropolitan area)   | 12                         | 14   | 25   | 8    | 21   | 14   | *    | ..     |
| Interstate                              | 11                         | 13   | 16   | 17   | 18   | 25   | 102  | 63     |
| Total                                   | 23                         | 27   | 41   | 25   | 38   | 40   | 113  | 63     |
| Moved to metropolitan area of State -   |                            |      |      |      |      |      |      |        |
| Intrastate (from non-metropolitan area) | 11                         | 11   | 28   | 12   | 21   | 15   | 28   | ..     |
| Interstate                              | 9                          | 11   | 22   | 15   | 23   | 14   | 80   | 72     |
| Total                                   | 21                         | 23   | 50   | 28   | 44   | 29   | 108  | 72     |
| OVERSEAS-BORN                           |                            |      |      |      |      |      |      |        |
| Moved within the same metropolitan area | 140                        | 123  | 137  | 107  | 163  | 100  | 176  | 117    |
| Moved from metropolitan area of State - |                            |      |      |      |      |      |      |        |
| Intrastate (to non-metropolitan area)   | 8                          | 4    | 12   | 7    | 20   | *    | *    | ..     |
| Interstate                              | 9                          | 8    | 16   | *    | 10   | *    | *    | 44     |
| Total                                   | 17                         | 12   | 28   | 12   | 30   | *    | 80   | 44     |
| Moved to metropolitan area of State -   |                            |      |      |      |      |      |      |        |
| Intrastate (from non-metropolitan area) | 4                          | *    | 18   | 8    | 10   | *    | *    | ..     |
| Interstate                              | 8                          | 6    | 20   | 8    | 15   | *    | *    | 48     |
| Total                                   | 12                         | 8    | 39   | 16   | 25   | *    | 69   | 48     |
| ALL BIRTHPLACES                         |                            |      |      |      |      |      |      |        |
| Moved within the same metropolitan area | 129                        | 120  | 130  | 111  | 160  | 120  | 148  | 124    |
| Moved from metropolitan area of State - |                            |      |      |      |      |      |      |        |
| Intrastate (to non-metropolitan area)   | 11                         | 11   | 22   | 8    | 21   | 14   | *    | ..     |
| Interstate                              | 10                         | 12   | 16   | 13   | 15   | 29   | 91   | 57     |
| Total                                   | 21                         | 22   | 38   | 21   | 35   | 42   | 102  | 57     |
| Moved to metropolitan area of State -   |                            |      |      |      |      |      |      |        |
| Intrastate (from non-metropolitan area) | 9                          | 8    | 26   | 11   | 17   | 15   | 28   | ..     |
| Interstate                              | 9                          | 9    | 22   | 13   | 20   | 13   | 65   | 65     |
| Total                                   | 18                         | 18   | 47   | 24   | 37   | 29   | 94   | 65     |

(a) Movers per 1,000 metropolitan population.

TABLE 12. NON-METROPOLITAN MOBILITY RATES(a) OF PERSONS AGED 15 AND OVER : TYPE OF MOVE BY STATE AND BIRTHPLACE, YEAR ENDED 31 MAY 1987

| Type of move                                | State of usual residence - |      |      |      |      |      |      |
|---------------------------------------------|----------------------------|------|------|------|------|------|------|
|                                             | N.S.W.                     | Vic. | Qld. | S.A. | W.A. | Tas. | N.T. |
| AUSTRALIAN-BORN                             |                            |      |      |      |      |      |      |
| Moved within the same non-metropolitan area | 121                        | 117  | 157  | 97   | 136  | 145  | 167  |
| Moved from non-metropolitan area of State - |                            |      |      |      |      |      |      |
| Intrastate (to metropolitan area)           | 14                         | 21   | 22   | 26   | 43   | 10   | 51   |
| Interstate                                  | 16                         | 16   | 17   | 24   | 17   | 27   | 194  |
| Total                                       | 30                         | 37   | 40   | 49   | 60   | 37   | 246  |
| Moved to non-metropolitan area of State -   |                            |      |      |      |      |      |      |
| Intrastate (from metropolitan area)         | 15                         | 26   | 19   | 17   | 41   | 10   | *    |
| Interstate                                  | 16                         | 13   | 29   | 13   | 17   | 13   | 95   |
| Total                                       | 31                         | 39   | 49   | 30   | 58   | 22   | 116  |
| OVERSEAS-BORN                               |                            |      |      |      |      |      |      |
| Moved within the same non-metropolitan area | 79                         | 75   | 185  | 122  | 157  | 138  | 307  |
| Moved from non-metropolitan area of State - |                            |      |      |      |      |      |      |
| Intrastate (to metropolitan area)           | 19                         | *    | 28   | 50   | 46   | *    | *    |
| Interstate                                  | 18                         | 34   | 31   | *    | *    | *    | *    |
| Total                                       | 37                         | 51   | 59   | 61   | 63   | *    | *    |
| Moved to non-metropolitan area of State -   |                            |      |      |      |      |      |      |
| Intrastate (from metropolitan area)         | 36                         | 28   | 15   | 42   | 89   | *    | *    |
| Interstate                                  | *                          | *    | 45   | *    | *    | 38   | *    |
| Total                                       | 50                         | 37   | 61   | 64   | 106  | 49   | *    |
| ALL BIRTHPLACES                             |                            |      |      |      |      |      |      |
| Moved within the same non-metropolitan area | 116                        | 112  | 160  | 101  | 140  | 144  | 209  |
| Moved from non-metropolitan area of State - |                            |      |      |      |      |      |      |
| Intrastate (to metropolitan area)           | 15                         | 21   | 23   | 29   | 44   | 11   | 57   |
| Interstate                                  | 16                         | 18   | 19   | 22   | 17   | 27   | 148  |
| Total                                       | 31                         | 39   | 42   | 51   | 61   | 38   | 205  |
| Moved to non-metropolitan area of State -   |                            |      |      |      |      |      |      |
| Intrastate (from metropolitan area)         | 18                         | 26   | 19   | 21   | 51   | 10   | *    |
| Interstate                                  | 15                         | 13   | 32   | 14   | 17   | 15   | 69   |
| Total                                       | 33                         | 39   | 50   | 35   | 68   | 25   | 92   |

(a) Movers per 1,000 non-metropolitan population.



TABLE 13. PERSONS AGED 15 YEARS AND OVER WHO CHANGED USUAL RESIDENCE :  
TYPE OF MOVE BY BIRTHPLACE BY YEAR OF ARRIVAL, YEAR ENDED 31 MAY 1987

| Birthplace,<br>year of<br>arrival | ('000)                              |                                             |                                                                   |                                                                      |         |                                       |                                               |                                                                    |                                                                       |       | Total(a) |
|-----------------------------------|-------------------------------------|---------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------------------------|---------|---------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------------------------------------|-------|----------|
|                                   | ----- Moved Intrastate -----        |                                             |                                                                   |                                                                      |         | ----- Moved Interstate -----          |                                               |                                                                    |                                                                       |       |          |
|                                   | Within<br>metro-<br>politan<br>area | Within<br>non-<br>metro-<br>politan<br>area | From<br>metro-<br>politan<br>to non-<br>metro-<br>politan<br>area | From<br>non-<br>metro-<br>politan<br>to<br>metro-<br>politan<br>area | Total   | Between<br>metro-<br>politan<br>areas | Between<br>non-<br>metro-<br>politan<br>areas | From<br>metro-<br>politan<br>to non-<br>metro-<br>politan<br>areas | From<br>non-<br>metro-<br>politan<br>to<br>metro-<br>politan<br>areas | Total |          |
| Born in Australia                 | 655.4                               | 484.7                                       | 75.7                                                              | 76.2                                                                 | 1,291.9 | 51.2                                  | 37.2                                          | 33.2                                                               | 32.0                                                                  | 153.5 | 1,445.4  |
| Born outside<br>Australia -       |                                     |                                             |                                                                   |                                                                      |         |                                       |                                               |                                                                    |                                                                       |       |          |
| Arrived before 1967               | 85.9                                | 27.6                                        | 7.9                                                               | 5.9                                                                  | 127.3   | 5.4                                   | *                                             | 3.2                                                                | 2.7                                                                   | 13.9  | 141.2    |
| Arrived 1967 - 1976               | 98.1                                | 21.2                                        | 7.9                                                               | 5.4                                                                  | 132.7   | 5.7                                   | *                                             | 3.0                                                                | *                                                                     | 13.1  | 145.9    |
| Arrived 1977 - 1986               | 139.6                               | 19.0                                        | 4.3                                                               | 3.8                                                                  | 166.8   | 7.7                                   | *                                             | *                                                                  | *                                                                     | 12.6  | 179.4    |
| Total overseas-born               | 324.6                               | 68.4                                        | 20.1                                                              | 15.2                                                                 | 428.3   | 18.8                                  | 6.0                                           | 7.1                                                                | 7.7                                                                   | 39.6  | 467.9    |
| Total                             | 980.0                               | 553.1                                       | 95.8                                                              | 91.4                                                                 | 1,720.2 | 70.0                                  | 43.1                                          | 40.3                                                               | 39.7                                                                  | 193.1 | 1,913.4  |

(a) Corresponding mobility rates were: Australian-born, 161 per 1,000 population; overseas-born, 96, 165, 282 and 156 respectively, total all birthplaces, 159.

TABLE 14. PERSONS AGED 15 YEARS AND OVER WHO CHANGED USUAL RESIDENCE :  
TYPE OF MOVE BY AGE, YEAR ENDED 31 MAY 1987

|                      | ('000)                              |                                             |                                                                   |                                                                      |         |                                       |                                               |                                                                    |                                                                       |       |         |
|----------------------|-------------------------------------|---------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------------------------|---------|---------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------------------------------------|-------|---------|
|                      |                                     | Moved                                       | Intrastate                                                        |                                                                      |         |                                       | Moved                                         | Interstate                                                         |                                                                       |       |         |
| Age group<br>(years) | Within<br>metro-<br>politan<br>area | Within<br>non-<br>metro-<br>politan<br>area | From<br>metro-<br>politan<br>to non-<br>metro-<br>politan<br>area | From<br>non-<br>metro-<br>politan<br>to<br>metro-<br>politan<br>area | Total   | Between<br>metro-<br>politan<br>areas | Between<br>non-<br>metro-<br>politan<br>areas | From<br>metro-<br>politan<br>to non-<br>metro-<br>politan<br>areas | From<br>non-<br>metro-<br>politan<br>to<br>metro-<br>politan<br>areas | Total | Total   |
| Males -              |                                     |                                             |                                                                   |                                                                      |         |                                       |                                               |                                                                    |                                                                       |       |         |
| 15 - 19              | 41.5                                | 33.4                                        | 6.2                                                               | 10.3                                                                 | 91.3    | 2.7                                   | *                                             | *                                                                  | *                                                                     | 8.9   | 100.2   |
| 20 - 24              | 109.0                               | 64.9                                        | 9.6                                                               | 7.7                                                                  | 191.3   | 7.6                                   | 5.3                                           | 4.4                                                                | 3.9                                                                   | 21.2  | 212.5   |
| 25 - 29              | 102.7                               | 61.1                                        | 6.8                                                               | 8.0                                                                  | 178.6   | 8.1                                   | 4.0                                           | *                                                                  | 5.0                                                                   | 19.3  | 197.9   |
| 30 - 34              | 74.5                                | 36.8                                        | 5.3                                                               | 5.5                                                                  | 122.1   | 5.1                                   | 3.3                                           | 2.9                                                                | *                                                                     | 13.8  | 135.9   |
| 35 - 44              | 82.6                                | 42.5                                        | 6.5                                                               | 9.7                                                                  | 141.4   | 8.1                                   | 4.4                                           | 3.4                                                                | 3.2                                                                   | 19.1  | 160.4   |
| 45 - 54              | 37.1                                | 20.5                                        | 4.4                                                               | *                                                                    | 64.5    | 2.8                                   | *                                             | *                                                                  | *                                                                     | 6.3   | 70.8    |
| 55 - 64              | 21.5                                | 13.3                                        | 4.6                                                               | *                                                                    | 42.0    | *                                     | *                                             | *                                                                  | *                                                                     | 3.9   | 45.9    |
| 65 and<br>over       | 16.2                                | 8.5                                         | 3.3                                                               | *                                                                    | 29.8    | *                                     | *                                             | *                                                                  | *                                                                     | 3.9   | 33.6    |
| Total                | 485.0                               | 281.0                                       | 46.8                                                              | 48.1                                                                 | 860.9   | 35.9                                  | 22.4                                          | 19.5                                                               | 18.5                                                                  | 96.3  | 957.2   |
| Females -            |                                     |                                             |                                                                   |                                                                      |         |                                       |                                               |                                                                    |                                                                       |       |         |
| 15 - 19              | 56.4                                | 42.5                                        | 6.0                                                               | 8.9                                                                  | 113.9   | 3.5                                   | 3.1                                           | 4.1                                                                | 3.6                                                                   | 14.2  | 128.1   |
| 20 - 24              | 123.6                               | 69.4                                        | 12.4                                                              | 9.1                                                                  | 214.5   | 8.7                                   | 4.6                                           | 4.2                                                                | 6.5                                                                   | 24.1  | 238.5   |
| 25 - 29              | 101.7                               | 49.4                                        | 7.2                                                               | 6.3                                                                  | 164.7   | 6.9                                   | 4.5                                           | 2.7                                                                | 3.5                                                                   | 17.6  | 182.3   |
| 30 - 34              | 64.6                                | 29.9                                        | 4.1                                                               | 5.7                                                                  | 104.3   | 6.3                                   | 3.6                                           | 3.7                                                                | *                                                                     | 16.3  | 120.6   |
| 35 - 44              | 72.1                                | 38.7                                        | 8.0                                                               | 7.2                                                                  | 125.9   | 5.6                                   | *                                             | 3.0                                                                | *                                                                     | 13.3  | 139.2   |
| 45 - 54              | 33.9                                | 18.8                                        | 4.6                                                               | 2.8                                                                  | 60.1    | *                                     | *                                             | *                                                                  | *                                                                     | 4.9   | 65.1    |
| 55 - 64              | 22.8                                | 12.1                                        | 4.7                                                               | *                                                                    | 41.4    | *                                     | *                                             | *                                                                  | *                                                                     | 3.0   | 44.4    |
| 65 and<br>over       | 20.0                                | 11.3                                        | *                                                                 | *                                                                    | 34.5    | *                                     | *                                             | *                                                                  | *                                                                     | 3.4   | 38.0    |
| Total                | 495.0                               | 272.0                                       | 49.0                                                              | 43.2                                                                 | 859.3   | 34.0                                  | 20.8                                          | 20.7                                                               | 21.2                                                                  | 96.8  | 956.1   |
| Persons -            |                                     |                                             |                                                                   |                                                                      |         |                                       |                                               |                                                                    |                                                                       |       |         |
| 15 - 19              | 97.8                                | 76.0                                        | 12.2                                                              | 19.2                                                                 | 205.2   | 6.2                                   | 5.7                                           | 6.1                                                                | 5.2                                                                   | 23.1  | 228.3   |
| 20 - 24              | 232.6                               | 134.3                                       | 22.0                                                              | 16.9                                                                 | 405.8   | 16.4                                  | 9.9                                           | 8.6                                                                | 10.4                                                                  | 45.2  | 451.0   |
| 25 - 29              | 204.4                               | 110.4                                       | 14.1                                                              | 14.4                                                                 | 343.3   | 15.0                                  | 8.5                                           | 4.9                                                                | 8.5                                                                   | 36.9  | 380.2   |
| 30 - 34              | 139.0                               | 66.7                                        | 9.4                                                               | 11.2                                                                 | 226.4   | 11.5                                  | 6.9                                           | 6.6                                                                | 5.2                                                                   | 30.1  | 256.5   |
| 35 - 44              | 154.7                               | 81.2                                        | 14.4                                                              | 16.9                                                                 | 267.3   | 13.6                                  | 6.6                                           | 6.4                                                                | 5.7                                                                   | 32.3  | 299.6   |
| 45 - 54              | 70.9                                | 39.3                                        | 9.0                                                               | 5.3                                                                  | 124.6   | 4.2                                   | *                                             | *                                                                  | *                                                                     | 11.2  | 135.8   |
| 55 - 64              | 44.3                                | 25.4                                        | 9.3                                                               | 4.4                                                                  | 83.4    | *                                     | *                                             | 3.1                                                                | *                                                                     | 6.9   | 90.3    |
| 65 and<br>over       | 36.1                                | 19.7                                        | 5.3                                                               | 3.1                                                                  | 64.3    | *                                     | *                                             | *                                                                  | *                                                                     | 7.3   | 71.6    |
| Total                | 980.0                               | 553.1                                       | 95.8                                                              | 91.4                                                                 | 1,720.2 | 70.0                                  | 43.1                                          | 40.3                                                               | 39.7                                                                  | 193.1 | 1,913.4 |



TABLE 15. PERSONS AGED 15 YEARS AND OVER WHO CHANGED USUAL RESIDENCE :  
TYPE OF MOVE BY REASON FOR MOVING, YEAR ENDED 31 MAY 1987

| Reason for moving                        | ('000)                              |                                             |                                                                   |                                                                      |         |                                       |                                               |                                                                    |                                                                       |       |         |
|------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------|---------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------------------------|---------|---------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------------------------------------|-------|---------|
|                                          |                                     | Moved                                       | Intrastate                                                        |                                                                      |         |                                       | Moved                                         | Interstate                                                         |                                                                       |       |         |
|                                          | Within<br>metro-<br>politan<br>area | Within<br>non-<br>metro-<br>politan<br>area | From<br>metro-<br>politan<br>to non-<br>metro-<br>politan<br>area | From<br>non-<br>metro-<br>politan<br>to<br>metro-<br>politan<br>area | Total   | Between<br>metro-<br>politan<br>areas | Between<br>non-<br>metro-<br>politan<br>areas | From<br>metro-<br>politan<br>to non-<br>metro-<br>politan<br>areas | From<br>non-<br>metro-<br>politan<br>to<br>metro-<br>politan<br>areas | Total | Total   |
| Had to move out/forced move(a)           | 118.8                               | 50.2                                        | 3.5                                                               | 2.7                                                                  | 175.2   | *                                     | *                                             | *                                                                  | *                                                                     | *     | 177.4   |
| Financial reasons                        | 74.5                                | 33.7                                        | 2.7                                                               | *                                                                    | 111.9   | *                                     | *                                             | *                                                                  | *                                                                     | 5.0   | 116.9   |
| Employment -                             |                                     |                                             |                                                                   |                                                                      |         |                                       |                                               |                                                                    |                                                                       |       |         |
| Moved with same employer                 | 4.4                                 | 22.1                                        | 10.1                                                              | 8.2                                                                  | 44.8    | 10.8                                  | *                                             | *                                                                  | 4.0                                                                   | 17.9  | 62.7    |
| To begin new job                         | 7.1                                 | 30.7                                        | 16.9                                                              | 14.0                                                                 | 68.6    | 13.2                                  | 7.0                                           | 4.8                                                                | 7.4                                                                   | 32.4  | 101.0   |
| To look for work                         | *                                   | 14.0                                        | *                                                                 | 7.9                                                                  | 26.5    | 5.3                                   | 6.1                                           | 3.7                                                                | 7.1                                                                   | 22.1  | 48.6    |
| To transfer or establish<br>own business | 5.1                                 | 13.5                                        | 5.7                                                               | 6.2                                                                  | 30.5    | 3.4                                   | *                                             | 3.4                                                                | *                                                                     | 10.5  | 40.9    |
| Other                                    | *                                   | 5.3                                         | *                                                                 | *                                                                    | 11.7    | *                                     | *                                             | *                                                                  | *                                                                     | 3.5   | 15.1    |
| Total                                    | 21.3                                | 85.6                                        | 36.3                                                              | 38.8                                                                 | 181.9   | 34.5                                  | 16.9                                          | 14.5                                                               | 20.5                                                                  | 86.4  | 268.4   |
| Location -                               |                                     |                                             |                                                                   |                                                                      |         |                                       |                                               |                                                                    |                                                                       |       |         |
| Closer to work/school etc                | 56.5                                | 36.6                                        | 7.4                                                               | 14.7                                                                 | 115.2   | 4.1                                   | *                                             | *                                                                  | 3.7                                                                   | 11.3  | 126.5   |
| Better area                              | 63.9                                | 32.0                                        | 9.5                                                               | *                                                                    | 107.6   | *                                     | *                                             | *                                                                  | *                                                                     | 4.8   | 112.4   |
| Closer to family/friends                 | 37.2                                | 20.6                                        | 9.1                                                               | 5.4                                                                  | 72.3    | 11.1                                  | 6.1                                           | 7.9                                                                | 3.8                                                                   | 29.0  | 101.3   |
| Total                                    | 157.6                               | 89.2                                        | 25.9                                                              | 22.4                                                                 | 295.0   | 17.3                                  | 9.8                                           | 10.2                                                               | 7.9                                                                   | 45.1  | 340.2   |
| Moved out from home/to be<br>independent | 71.2                                | 32.0                                        | *                                                                 | *                                                                    | 107.1   | *                                     | *                                             | *                                                                  | *                                                                     | 4.5   | 111.6   |
| Housing -                                |                                     |                                             |                                                                   |                                                                      |         |                                       |                                               |                                                                    |                                                                       |       |         |
| Larger house                             | 107.3                               | 54.0                                        | *                                                                 | *                                                                    | 162.7   | *                                     | *                                             | *                                                                  | *                                                                     | *     | 163.8   |
| Smaller house                            | 21.0                                | 8.1                                         | *                                                                 | *                                                                    | 30.2    | *                                     | *                                             | *                                                                  | *                                                                     | *     | 30.5    |
| Other features                           | 34.6                                | 17.8                                        | *                                                                 | *                                                                    | 53.9    | *                                     | *                                             | *                                                                  | *                                                                     | *     | 54.0    |
| To buy own home                          | 159.3                               | 69.2                                        | 2.7                                                               | 2.8                                                                  | 234.0   | *                                     | 2.7                                           | *                                                                  | *                                                                     | 3.5   | 237.5   |
| Other                                    | 42.9                                | 24.1                                        | *                                                                 | *                                                                    | 70.9    | *                                     | *                                             | *                                                                  | *                                                                     | *     | 71.9    |
| Total                                    | 365.1                               | 173.2                                       | 6.5                                                               | 6.8                                                                  | 551.6   | *                                     | 3.0                                           | *                                                                  | *                                                                     | 6.0   | 557.7   |
| Marital status change                    | 98.6                                | 49.3                                        | 4.7                                                               | 6.7                                                                  | 159.3   | 3.7                                   | *                                             | *                                                                  | 3.1                                                                   | 10.2  | 169.5   |
| Retirement/health                        | 9.2                                 | 12.3                                        | 9.2                                                               | 4.1                                                                  | 34.7    | *                                     | 3.3                                           | 4.2                                                                | *                                                                     | 10.3  | 45.0    |
| Other                                    | 63.9                                | 27.6                                        | 5.4                                                               | 6.4                                                                  | 103.3   | 8.6                                   | 5.6                                           | 6.0                                                                | 3.2                                                                   | 23.4  | 126.7   |
| Total                                    | 980.0                               | 553.1                                       | 95.8                                                              | 91.4                                                                 | 1,720.2 | 70.0                                  | 43.1                                          | 40.3                                                               | 39.7                                                                  | 193.1 | 1,913.4 |

(a) Move due to circumstances beyond the mover's control, the principal reasons being the sale by the landlord of a rental property, a lease not renewed, resumption or demolition of properties and natural calamities.



TABLE 16. PERSONS AGED 15 YEARS AND OVER WHO MOVED INTRASTATE :  
YEAR ENDED 31 MAY 1987 AND PREVIOUS SURVEYS

| State of usual residence<br>at 31 May 1987 | Year ended -      |                    |                    |                    |                    |                   |                   |
|--------------------------------------------|-------------------|--------------------|--------------------|--------------------|--------------------|-------------------|-------------------|
|                                            | 31 May<br>1981    | 30 June<br>1982(a) | 30 June<br>1983(a) | 30 June<br>1984(a) | 30 June<br>1985(a) | 31 May<br>1986(a) | 31 May<br>1987(a) |
|                                            | NUMBER ('000)     |                    |                    |                    |                    |                   |                   |
| New South Wales                            | 561.4             | 505.2              | 536.1              | 561.5              | 575.4              | 551.5             | 569.5             |
| Victoria                                   | 382.5             | 369.4              | 383.4              | 437.7              | 395.2              | 389.1             | 417.5             |
| Queensland                                 | 306.7             | 303.9              | 292.6              | 336.0              | 343.5              | 313.1             | 320.0             |
| South Australia                            | 123.5             | 127.4              | 113.9              | 141.8              | 155.4              | 141.0             | 128.0             |
| Western Australia                          | 161.0             | 165.1              | 166.5              | 193.2              | 199.2              | 185.4             | 192.4             |
| Tasmania                                   | 43.1              | 35.8               | 38.8               | 42.4               | 43.2               | 46.2              | 49.9              |
| Northern Territory                         | 17.5              | 18.0               | 15.4               | 16.3               | 16.2               | 14.6              | 20.5              |
| Australian Capital Territory               | 18.9              | 18.3               | 22.2               | 21.9               | 18.8               | 21.0              | 22.3              |
| Total Australia                            | 1,614.6           | 1,543.2            | 1,568.9            | 1,750.7            | 1,746.8            | 1,661.9           | 1,720.2           |
|                                            | MOBILITY RATES(b) |                    |                    |                    |                    |                   |                   |
| New South Wales                            | 148               | 131                | 136                | 140                | 142                | 134               | 137               |
| Victoria                                   | 133               | 126                | 129                | 144                | 130                | 124               | 132               |
| Queensland                                 | 186               | 179                | 168                | 186                | 187                | 166               | 167               |
| South Australia                            | 127               | 130                | 114                | 139                | 151                | 135               | 122               |
| Western Australia                          | 178               | 177                | 173                | 196                | 197                | 179               | 181               |
| Tasmania                                   | 139               | 113                | 122                | 132                | 131                | 140               | 148               |
| Northern Territory                         | 224               | 213                | 180                | 187                | 173                | 152               | 203               |
| Australian Capital Territory               | 124               | 120                | 138                | 131                | 108                | 116               | 118               |
| Total Australia                            | 150               | 141                | 140                | 153                | 151                | 141               | 143               |

(a) Excludes all persons with no usual residence at the beginning and/or end of the survey year. See Explanatory notes.

(b) Movers per 1,000 State population

TABLE 17. PERSONS AGED 15 YEARS AND OVER WHO MOVED INTRASTATE :  
AGE, YEAR ENDED 31 MAY 1987

| Age group<br>(years) | State of usual residence - |       |       |       |       |      |      |        | Aust.   |
|----------------------|----------------------------|-------|-------|-------|-------|------|------|--------|---------|
|                      | N.S.W.                     | Vic.  | Qld.  | S.A.  | W.A.  | Tas. | N.T. | A.C.T. |         |
|                      | NUMBER ('000)              |       |       |       |       |      |      |        |         |
| Males                |                            |       |       |       |       |      |      |        |         |
| 15 - 19              | 28.5                       | 19.7  | 21.3  | 6.7   | 11.4  | 3.0  | *    | *      | 91.3    |
| 20 - 24              | 59.5                       | 47.9  | 37.6  | 16.4  | 20.0  | 6.0  | 1.5  | 2.4    | 191.3   |
| 25 - 29              | 61.5                       | 45.3  | 30.1  | 13.1  | 18.8  | 5.0  | 2.5  | 2.1    | 178.6   |
| 30 - 34              | 45.2                       | 29.1  | 19.5  | 8.5   | 13.4  | 3.2  | 1.5  | 1.6    | 122.1   |
| 35 - 44              | 46.9                       | 31.5  | 26.2  | 9.7   | 17.4  | 3.8  | 3.6  | 2.2    | 141.4   |
| 45 - 54              | 19.0                       | 17.0  | 11.6  | 4.1   | 9.5   | 2.2  | *    | *      | 64.5    |
| 55 - 64              | 14.9                       | 9.6   | 8.6   | 2.7   | 4.2   | 1.4  | *    | *      | 42.0    |
| 65 and over          | 9.0                        | 8.1   | 6.9   | 1.7   | 3.6   | *    | *    | *      | 29.8    |
| Total                | 284.5                      | 208.3 | 162.0 | 63.0  | 98.1  | 25.0 | 10.5 | 9.5    | 860.9   |
| Females              |                            |       |       |       |       |      |      |        |         |
| 15 - 19              | 35.5                       | 26.4  | 23.9  | 10.0  | 10.4  | 4.6  | *    | 2.8    | 113.9   |
| 20 - 24              | 69.5                       | 55.6  | 36.1  | 18.6  | 22.5  | 6.1  | 2.3  | 3.8    | 214.5   |
| 25 - 29              | 56.5                       | 41.2  | 27.9  | 11.7  | 18.3  | 4.0  | 2.6  | 2.4    | 164.7   |
| 30 - 34              | 39.5                       | 24.6  | 18.0  | 6.9   | 10.0  | 2.7  | 1.8  | *      | 104.3   |
| 35 - 44              | 41.5                       | 29.3  | 23.9  | 8.1   | 15.9  | 3.2  | 2.2  | 1.8    | 125.9   |
| 45 - 54              | 18.4                       | 14.3  | 12.0  | 4.0   | 8.3   | 1.7  | *    | 1.0    | 60.1    |
| 55 - 64              | 14.9                       | 9.3   | 8.1   | 3.2   | 4.4   | 1.3  | *    | *      | 41.4    |
| 65 and over          | 9.2                        | 8.6   | 8.0   | 2.6   | 4.5   | 1.2  | *    | *      | 34.5    |
| Total                | 285.1                      | 209.3 | 158.0 | 65.0  | 94.3  | 24.8 | 10.0 | 12.7   | 859.3   |
| Persons              |                            |       |       |       |       |      |      |        |         |
| 15 - 19              | 64.0                       | 46.2  | 45.2  | 16.7  | 21.8  | 7.5  | *    | 3.2    | 205.2   |
| 20 - 24              | 129.0                      | 103.5 | 73.8  | 35.0  | 42.4  | 12.1 | 3.7  | 6.2    | 405.8   |
| 25 - 29              | 118.0                      | 86.6  | 58.1  | 24.8  | 37.2  | 9.1  | 5.1  | 4.5    | 343.3   |
| 30 - 34              | 84.7                       | 53.7  | 37.5  | 15.4  | 23.4  | 5.9  | 3.3  | 2.3    | 226.4   |
| 35 - 44              | 88.3                       | 60.8  | 50.2  | 17.8  | 33.3  | 7.0  | 5.8  | 4.0    | 267.3   |
| 45 - 54              | 37.4                       | 31.2  | 23.6  | 8.1   | 17.7  | 3.8  | 1.2  | 1.6    | 124.6   |
| 55 - 64              | 29.9                       | 18.8  | 16.8  | 5.9   | 8.5   | 2.7  | *    | *      | 83.4    |
| 65 and over          | 18.2                       | 16.6  | 15.0  | 4.3   | 8.1   | 1.7  | *    | *      | 64.3    |
| Total                | 569.5                      | 417.5 | 320.0 | 128.0 | 192.4 | 49.9 | 20.5 | 22.3   | 1,720.2 |
| MOBILITY RATES(a)    |                            |       |       |       |       |      |      |        |         |
| Males                |                            |       |       |       |       |      |      |        |         |
| 15 - 19              | 129                        | 110   | 186   | 118   | 185   | 152  | *    | *      | 136     |
| 20 - 24              | 274                        | 275   | 374   | 294   | 345   | 325  | 247  | 231    | 299     |
| 25 - 29              | 277                        | 270   | 292   | 236   | 316   | 269  | 341  | 215    | 277     |
| 30 - 34              | 210                        | 180   | 196   | 160   | 223   | 180  | 222  | 149    | 195     |
| 35 - 44              | 118                        | 106   | 141   | 100   | 159   | 120  | 284  | 106    | 122     |
| 45 - 54              | 65                         | 80    | 90    | 60    | 128   | 102  | *    | *      | 79      |
| 55 - 64              | 58                         | 50    | 79    | 41    | 70    | 71   | *    | *      | 59      |
| 65 and over          | 37                         | 45    | 63    | 27    | 67    | *    | *    | *      | 44      |
| Total                | 138                        | 133   | 170   | 122   | 183   | 150  | 199  | 105    | 145     |
| Females              |                            |       |       |       |       |      |      |        |         |
| 15 - 19              | 165                        | 149   | 224   | 180   | 175   | 237  | *    | 241    | 175     |
| 20 - 24              | 330                        | 327   | 366   | 344   | 387   | 339  | 362  | 328    | 342     |
| 25 - 29              | 251                        | 240   | 269   | 208   | 310   | 217  | 333  | 202    | 252     |
| 30 - 34              | 186                        | 150   | 180   | 128   | 171   | 156  | 251  | *      | 167     |
| 35 - 44              | 105                        | 99    | 130   | 83    | 154   | 107  | 198  | 81     | 110     |
| 45 - 54              | 67                         | 69    | 98    | 60    | 119   | 80   | *    | 82     | 77      |
| 55 - 64              | 57                         | 48    | 73    | 46    | 76    | 65   | *    | *      | 57      |
| 65 and over          | 30                         | 37    | 59    | 32    | 70    | 45   | *    | *      | 40      |
| Total                | 135                        | 130   | 164   | 122   | 178   | 146  | 206  | 131    | 142     |
| Persons              |                            |       |       |       |       |      |      |        |         |
| 15 - 19              | 147                        | 129   | 204   | 149   | 180   | 194  | *    | 136    | 155     |
| 20 - 24              | 302                        | 301   | 370   | 319   | 367   | 332  | 306  | 282    | 320     |
| 25 - 29              | 264                        | 255   | 280   | 222   | 313   | 243  | 337  | 208    | 264     |
| 30 - 34              | 198                        | 165   | 188   | 144   | 197   | 168  | 237  | 102    | 181     |
| 35 - 44              | 111                        | 102   | 136   | 91    | 156   | 113  | 243  | 93     | 116     |
| 45 - 54              | 66                         | 74    | 94    | 60    | 123   | 91   | 94   | 65     | 78      |
| 55 - 64              | 58                         | 49    | 76    | 44    | 73    | 68   | *    | *      | 58      |
| 65 and over          | 33                         | 40    | 61    | 30    | 68    | 36   | *    | *      | 42      |
| Total                | 137                        | 132   | 167   | 122   | 181   | 148  | 203  | 118    | 143     |

(a) Movers per 1,000 population of the same age group.



TABLE 18. PERSONS AGED 15 YEARS AND OVER WHO MOVED INTERSTATE :  
AGE, YEAR ENDED 31 MAY 1987

| Age group<br>(years) | Year ended -      |                    |                    |                    |                    |                   |                   |
|----------------------|-------------------|--------------------|--------------------|--------------------|--------------------|-------------------|-------------------|
|                      | 31 May<br>1981    | 30 June<br>1982(a) | 30 June<br>1983(a) | 30 June<br>1984(a) | 30 June<br>1985(a) | 31 May<br>1986(a) | 31 May<br>1987(a) |
|                      | NUMBER ('000)     |                    |                    |                    |                    |                   |                   |
| 15 - 19              | 20.0              | 22.6               | 18.5               | 14.6               | 18.5               | 18.7              | 23.1              |
| 20 - 24              | 45.8              | 55.6               | 44.1               | 42.7               | 42.5               | 48.4              | 45.2              |
| 25 - 29              | ( 62.3            | 39.7               | 38.8               | 33.4               | 37.9               | 35.6              | 36.9              |
| 30 - 34              | (                 | 31.3               | 23.6               | 19.7               | 26.5               | 28.3              | 30.1              |
| 35 - 44              | 27.3              | 30.8               | 27.3               | 27.2               | 33.6               | 33.5              | 32.3              |
| 45 - 54              | 13.4              | 12.5               | 7.9                | 10.1               | 12.3               | 11.7              | 11.2              |
| 55 - 64              | 13.7              | 10.9               | 5.8                | 9.3                | 7.7                | 9.9               | 6.9               |
| 65 and over          | 11.4              | 4.9                | 6.7                | 8.7                | 7.4                | 5.0               | 7.3               |
| Total                | 193.8             | 208.3              | 172.5              | 165.7              | 186.3              | 191.1             | 193.1             |
|                      | MOBILITY RATES(b) |                    |                    |                    |                    |                   |                   |
| 15 - 19              | 16                | 19                 | 15                 | 12                 | 15                 | 14                | 17                |
| 20 - 24              | 37                | 44                 | 34                 | 33                 | 33                 | 38                | 36                |
| 25 - 29              | ( 27              | 34                 | 33                 | 27                 | 30                 | 28                | 28                |
| 30 - 34              | (                 | 27                 | 19                 | 16                 | 22                 | 23                | 24                |
| 35 - 44              | 16                | 16                 | 13                 | 13                 | 16                 | 15                | 14                |
| 45 - 54              | 9                 | 8                  | 5                  | 7                  | 8                  | 8                 | 7                 |
| 55 - 64              | 10                | 8                  | 4                  | 7                  | 5                  | 7                 | 5                 |
| 65 and over          | 9                 | 4                  | 5                  | 6                  | 5                  | 3                 | 5                 |
| Total                | 18                | 19                 | 15                 | 15                 | 16                 | 16                | 16                |

(a) Excludes all persons with no usual residence at the beginning and/or end of the survey year. See Explanatory notes.

(b) Movers per 1,000 population of the same age group.

TABLE 19. PERSONS AGED 15 YEARS AND OVER WHO MOVED INTERSTATE :  
STATES AND TERRITORIES OF ORIGIN AND DESTINATION, YEAR ENDED 31 MAY 1987

| State of destination<br>(usual residence at<br>31 May 1987) - | State of origin (usual residence at 31 May 1986) - |      |      |      |      |      |      |        | Aust. |
|---------------------------------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------|------|------|------|------|------|------|--------|-------|
|                                                               | N.S.W.                                             | Vic. | Qld. | S.A. | W.A. | Tas. | N.T. | A.C.T. |       |
| New South Wales                                               | ..                                                 | 15.5 | 16.2 | *    | 5.0  | *    | *    | 5.9    | 48.5  |
| Victoria                                                      | 10.1                                               | ..   | 5.0  | 7.0  | 4.7  | *    | *    | *      | 33.4  |
| Queensland                                                    | 26.0                                               | 11.8 | ..   | 3.0  | 3.2  | 2.7  | 3.3  | 2.2    | 52.2  |
| South Australia                                               | 3.4                                                | 4.4  | 2.6  | ..   | *    | *    | 1.5  | *      | 13.9  |
| Western Australia                                             | 3.6                                                | 7.2  | 3.9  | 2.2  | ..   | 1.7  | 1.7  | *      | 20.8  |
| Tasmania                                                      | 1.5                                                | 1.6  | *    | *    | *    | ..   | *    | *      | 5.0   |
| Northern Territory                                            | 1.5                                                | *    | 2.4  | *    | *    | *    | ..   | *      | 6.9   |
| Australian Capital Territory                                  | 5.8                                                | 1.9  | 3.0  | *    | *    | *    | *    | ..     | 12.5  |
| Total Australia                                               | 51.9                                               | 43.1 | 33.8 | 16.4 | 16.4 | 9.5  | 11.6 | 10.3   | 193.1 |

TABLE 20. PERSONS AGED 15 YEARS AND OVER WHO MOVED INTERSTATE :  
STATE OF USUAL RESIDENCE, YEAR ENDED 31 MAY 1987

| Age group<br>(years) | State of usual residence - |      |      |      |      |      |      |        | Aust. |
|----------------------|----------------------------|------|------|------|------|------|------|--------|-------|
|                      | N.S.W.                     | Vic. | Qld. | S.A. | W.A. | Tas. | N.T. | A.C.T. |       |
| NUMBER ('000)        |                            |      |      |      |      |      |      |        |       |
| Moved into State -   |                            |      |      |      |      |      |      |        |       |
| 15 - 19              | 6.2                        | 3.6  | 7.4  | *    | 1.9  | *    | *    | 2.1    | 23.1  |
| 20 - 24              | 14.1                       | 7.6  | 10.4 | 1.9  | 5.9  | 1.3  | 1.5  | 2.5    | 45.2  |
| 25 - 29              | 9.6                        | 7.5  | 7.4  | 3.6  | 4.1  | *    | 1.8  | 2.3    | 36.9  |
| 30 - 34              | 7.7                        | 5.5  | 6.8  | 2.8  | 3.0  | .9   | *    | 2.6    | 30.1  |
| 35 - 44              | 7.9                        | 4.5  | 9.5  | 1.9  | 3.4  | .9   | 2.0  | 2.3    | 32.3  |
| 45 - 54              | *                          | *    | 3.8  | 1.6  | 1.4  | *    | *    | *      | 11.2  |
| 55 - 64              | *                          | *    | 3.1  | *    | *    | *    | *    | *      | 6.9   |
| 65 and over          | *                          | *    | 3.9  | *    | *    | *    | *    | *      | 7.3   |
| Total Persons        | 48.5                       | 33.4 | 52.2 | 13.9 | 20.8 | 5.0  | 6.9  | 12.5   | 193.1 |
| Males                | 21.8                       | 17.5 | 26.1 | 7.2  | 10.7 | 2.9  | 4.3  | 5.8    | 96.3  |
| Females              | 26.7                       | 15.9 | 26.0 | 6.7  | 10.2 | 2.0  | 2.6  | 6.6    | 96.8  |
| Moved out of State - |                            |      |      |      |      |      |      |        |       |
| 15 - 19              | 5.4                        | 5.7  | 4.7  | 2.7  | *    | *    | *    | *      | 23.1  |
| 20 - 24              | 11.2                       | 8.3  | 10.8 | 3.5  | 2.6  | 2.7  | 2.2  | 3.9    | 45.2  |
| 25 - 29              | 10.3                       | 6.9  | 6.4  | 2.5  | 5.2  | *    | 3.3  | *      | 36.9  |
| 30 - 34              | 6.9                        | 7.5  | 4.6  | 2.9  | 2.9  | *    | 2.3  | *      | 30.1  |
| 35 - 44              | 7.8                        | 8.0  | 4.4  | 3.4  | 3.0  | *    | 2.8  | *      | 32.3  |
| 45 - 54              | 4.8                        | 2.4  | *    | *    | *    | *    | *    | *      | 11.2  |
| 55 - 64              | 2.6                        | 2.1  | *    | *    | *    | *    | *    | *      | 6.9   |
| 65 and over          | 3.0                        | 2.2  | *    | *    | *    | *    | *    | *      | 7.3   |
| Total Persons        | 51.9                       | 43.1 | 33.8 | 16.4 | 16.4 | 9.5  | 11.6 | 10.3   | 193.1 |
| Males                | 27.8                       | 19.6 | 16.0 | 7.5  | 8.5  | 3.9  | 8.0  | 5.1    | 96.3  |
| Females              | 24.1                       | 23.5 | 17.9 | 8.9  | 7.9  | 5.6  | 3.6  | 5.3    | 96.8  |
| MOBILITY RATES(a)    |                            |      |      |      |      |      |      |        |       |
| Moved into State -   |                            |      |      |      |      |      |      |        |       |
| 15 - 19              | 14                         | 10   | 33   | *    | 15   | *    | *    | 87     | 17    |
| 20 - 24              | 33                         | 22   | 52   | 18   | 51   | 35   | 121  | 116    | 36    |
| 25 - 29              | 21                         | 22   | 36   | 32   | 35   | *    | 119  | 104    | 28    |
| 30 - 34              | 18                         | 17   | 34   | 26   | 26   | 26   | *    | 114    | 24    |
| 35 - 44              | 10                         | 8    | 26   | 10   | 16   | 15   | 85   | 53     | 14    |
| 45 - 54              | *                          | *    | 15   | 12   | 10   | *    | *    | *      | 7     |
| 55 - 64              | *                          | *    | 14   | *    | *    | *    | *    | *      | 5     |
| 65 and over          | *                          | *    | 16   | *    | *    | *    | *    | *      | 5     |
| Total Persons        | 12                         | 11   | 27   | 13   | 20   | 15   | 68   | 66     | 16    |
| Males                | 11                         | 11   | 27   | 14   | 20   | 18   | 81   | 64     | 16    |
| Females              | 13                         | 10   | 27   | 13   | 19   | 12   | 54   | 68     | 16    |
| Moved out of State - |                            |      |      |      |      |      |      |        |       |
| 15 - 19              | 12                         | 16   | 21   | 24   | *    | *    | *    | *      | 17    |
| 20 - 24              | 26                         | 24   | 54   | 32   | 23   | 72   | 169  | 169    | 36    |
| 25 - 29              | 23                         | 20   | 31   | 22   | 44   | *    | 200  | *      | 28    |
| 30 - 34              | 16                         | 23   | 23   | 27   | 24   | *    | 145  | *      | 24    |
| 35 - 44              | 10                         | 13   | 12   | 17   | 14   | *    | 115  | *      | 14    |
| 45 - 54              | 8                          | 6    | *    | *    | *    | *    | *    | *      | 7     |
| 55 - 64              | 5                          | 6    | *    | *    | *    | *    | *    | *      | 5     |
| 65 and over          | 5                          | 5    | *    | *    | *    | *    | *    | *      | 5     |
| Total Persons        | 12                         | 14   | 18   | 16   | 15   | 28   | 109  | 56     | 16    |
| Males                | 13                         | 13   | 17   | 14   | 16   | 23   | 142  | 56     | 16    |
| Females              | 11                         | 15   | 19   | 17   | 15   | 32   | 73   | 55     | 16    |

(a) Movers per 1,000 population of the same age group.



TABLE 21. PERSONS AGED 15 YEARS AND OVER WHO CHANGED USUAL RESIDENCE : TYPE OF MOVE BY REASON FOR MOVING BY STATE OF USUAL RESIDENCE, YEAR ENDED 31 MAY 1987 ('000)

| Type of move and reason for moving    | State of usual residence - |       |       |       |       |      |      |        | Aust.   |
|---------------------------------------|----------------------------|-------|-------|-------|-------|------|------|--------|---------|
|                                       | N.S.W.                     | Vic.  | Qld.  | S.A.  | W.A.  | Tas. | N.T. | A.C.T. |         |
| Moved within State                    |                            |       |       |       |       |      |      |        |         |
| Had to move out/forced move(a)        | 66.6                       | 36.7  | 28.5  | 11.6  | 23.4  | 3.6  | 2.3  | 2.4    | 175.2   |
| Financial reasons                     | 39.9                       | 23.9  | 22.9  | 8.8   | 11.1  | 2.3  | 1.2  | 1.8    | 111.9   |
| Employment -                          |                            |       |       |       |       |      |      |        |         |
| Moved with same employer              | 11.6                       | 7.4   | 12.0  | 3.8   | 7.5   | 1.6  | *    | *      | 44.8    |
| To begin new job                      | 23.9                       | 12.9  | 14.4  | 5.5   | 10.3  | 1.1  | *    | *      | 68.6    |
| To look for work                      | 9.2                        | 3.7   | 7.1   | 2.6   | 3.2   | *    | *    | *      | 26.5    |
| To transfer or establish own business | 7.3                        | 7.1   | 9.1   | *     | 3.6   | *    | 1.4  | *      | 30.5    |
| Other                                 | *                          | *     | 2.8   | 1.8   | 2.2   | *    | *    | *      | 11.7    |
| Total                                 | 53.7                       | 33.5  | 45.3  | 14.9  | 26.7  | 4.2  | 3.1  | *      | 181.9   |
| Location -                            |                            |       |       |       |       |      |      |        |         |
| Closer to work/school etc             | 33.1                       | 30.8  | 25.9  | 6.6   | 12.5  | 4.2  | *    | 1.0    | 115.2   |
| Better area                           | 34.8                       | 30.6  | 19.9  | 6.9   | 10.3  | 3.7  | *    | 1.1    | 107.6   |
| Closer to family/friends              | 22.6                       | 19.4  | 13.9  | 4.6   | 8.6   | 1.9  | *    | 1.1    | 72.3    |
| Total                                 | 90.5                       | 80.8  | 59.7  | 18.1  | 31.4  | 9.8  | 1.6  | 3.2    | 295.0   |
| Moved out from home to be independent | 37.1                       | 25.7  | 16.8  | 10.9  | 10.9  | 3.9  | *    | 1.6    | 107.1   |
| Housing -                             |                            |       |       |       |       |      |      |        |         |
| Larger house                          | 50.1                       | 50.1  | 21.3  | 10.7  | 18.9  | 4.9  | 3.8  | 2.8    | 162.7   |
| Smaller house                         | 6.8                        | 9.8   | 4.4   | 3.3   | 3.2   | 2.0  | *    | *      | 30.2    |
| Other features                        | 15.4                       | 13.3  | 11.9  | 3.5   | 6.4   | 1.7  | *    | *      | 53.9    |
| To buy own home                       | 83.0                       | 61.0  | 39.6  | 15.5  | 24.4  | 5.3  | 1.5  | 3.7    | 234.0   |
| Other                                 | 20.9                       | 13.2  | 16.0  | 5.2   | 9.9   | 2.8  | *    | 1.9    | 70.9    |
| Total                                 | 176.3                      | 147.5 | 93.1  | 38.1  | 62.7  | 16.7 | 7.2  | 10.0   | 551.6   |
| Marital status change                 | 54.5                       | 40.3  | 27.2  | 15.9  | 13.1  | 4.6  | 2.4  | 1.4    | 159.3   |
| Retirement/health                     | 13.9                       | 6.1   | 7.3   | 3.1   | 3.5   | 0.9  | *    | *      | 34.7    |
| Other                                 | 37.1                       | 23.1  | 19.2  | 6.6   | 9.6   | 4.1  | 2.5  | 1.2    | 103.3   |
| Total                                 | 569.5                      | 417.5 | 320.0 | 128.0 | 192.4 | 49.9 | 20.5 | 22.3   | 1,720.2 |
| Moved into State                      |                            |       |       |       |       |      |      |        |         |
| Had to move out/forced move(a)        | *                          | *     | *     | *     | *     | *    | *    | *      | *       |
| Financial reasons                     | *                          | *     | *     | *     | *     | *    | *    | *      | 5.0     |
| Employment -                          |                            |       |       |       |       |      |      |        |         |
| Moved with same employer              | 4.0                        | *     | 4.1   | *     | 1.6   | *    | *    | 3.1    | 17.9    |
| To begin new job                      | 9.9                        | 6.9   | 5.1   | 2.5   | 2.4   | *    | 1.9  | 3.0    | 32.4    |
| To look for work                      | 5.9                        | 4.7   | 6.4   | *     | 1.7   | *    | 1.5  | *      | 22.1    |
| To transfer or establish own business | *                          | *     | 3.7   | *     | *     | *    | *    | 1.0    | 10.5    |
| Other                                 | *                          | *     | *     | *     | *     | *    | *    | *      | 3.5     |
| Total                                 | 23.2                       | 15.1  | 20.0  | 6.2   | 7.2   | 1.7  | 4.7  | 8.3    | 86.4    |
| Location -                            |                            |       |       |       |       |      |      |        |         |
| Closer to work/school etc             | 3.2                        | *     | *     | 1.6   | *     | *    | *    | 1.4    | 11.3    |
| Better area                           | *                          | *     | 3.1   | *     | *     | *    | *    | *      | 4.8     |
| Closer to family/friends              | 7.7                        | 5.8   | 6.6   | 3.0   | 3.5   | 1.5  | *    | *      | 29.0    |
| Total                                 | 11.6                       | 8.6   | 11.4  | 4.7   | 4.5   | 1.9  | *    | 2.0    | 45.1    |
| Moved out from home to be independent | *                          | *     | *     | *     | *     | *    | *    | *      | 4.5     |
| Housing                               | *                          | *     | *     | *     | *     | *    | *    | *      | 6.0     |
| Marital status change                 | *                          | *     | 3.9   | *     | *     | *    | *    | *      | 10.2    |
| Retirement/health                     | *                          | *     | 5.3   | *     | *     | *    | *    | *      | 10.3    |
| Other                                 | 4.0                        | 3.0   | 7.2   | 1.4   | 5.4   | *    | *    | *      | 23.4    |
| Total                                 | 48.5                       | 33.4  | 52.2  | 13.9  | 20.8  | 5.0  | 6.9  | 12.5   | 193.1   |
| Moved out of State                    |                            |       |       |       |       |      |      |        |         |
| Had to move out/forced move(a)        | *                          | *     | *     | *     | *     | *    | *    | *      | *       |
| Financial reasons                     | *                          | *     | *     | *     | *     | *    | *    | *      | 5.0     |
| Employment -                          |                            |       |       |       |       |      |      |        |         |
| Moved with same employer              | 4.5                        | 3.4   | 4.0   | *     | 1.9   | *    | *    | *      | 17.9    |
| To begin new job                      | 8.3                        | 6.0   | 5.8   | 2.5   | 3.8   | *    | 2.3  | *      | 32.4    |
| To look for work                      | 5.4                        | 3.2   | 6.9   | *     | *     | *    | *    | *      | 22.1    |
| To transfer or establish own business | 4.1                        | *     | *     | *     | *     | *    | *    | *      | 10.5    |
| Other                                 | *                          | *     | *     | *     | *     | *    | *    | *      | 3.5     |
| Total                                 | 23.4                       | 14.5  | 19.2  | 7.0   | 7.0   | 4.6  | 5.7  | 5.0    | 86.4    |
| Location -                            |                            |       |       |       |       |      |      |        |         |
| Closer to work/school etc             | 3.7                        | 1.7   | *     | *     | *     | *    | *    | *      | 11.3    |
| Better area                           | *                          | *     | *     | *     | *     | *    | *    | *      | 4.8     |
| Closer to family/friends              | 6.0                        | 8.9   | 5.0   | 2.2   | 3.0   | *    | 2.5  | *      | 29.0    |
| Total                                 | 10.8                       | 12.3  | 7.2   | 3.5   | 3.5   | *    | 4.1  | *      | 45.1    |
| Moved out from home to be independent | *                          | *     | *     | *     | *     | *    | *    | *      | 4.5     |
| Housing                               | 3.0                        | *     | *     | *     | *     | *    | *    | *      | 6.0     |
| Marital status change                 | 3.7                        | 2.7   | *     | *     | *     | *    | *    | *      | 10.2    |
| Retirement/health                     | 3.8                        | 3.7   | *     | *     | *     | *    | *    | *      | 10.3    |
| Other                                 | 4.2                        | 5.9   | 3.8   | 2.5   | 4.4   | *    | *    | *      | 23.4    |
| Total                                 | 51.9                       | 43.1  | 33.8  | 16.4  | 16.4  | 9.5  | 11.6 | 10.3   | 193.1   |

(a) Move due to circumstances beyond the mover's control, the principal reasons being the sale by the landlord of a rental property, a lease not renewed, resumption or demolition of properties and natural calamities.

TABLE 22. PERSONS AGED 15 YEARS AND OVER : DURATION OF STAY AT USUAL RESIDENCE OF 31 MAY 1987 BY STATE OF USUAL RESIDENCE

| Duration of stay at<br>usual residence of<br>31 May 1987 | ('000)                                    |         |         |         |         |       |       |        | Aust.    |
|----------------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------|---------|---------|---------|---------|-------|-------|--------|----------|
|                                                          | State of usual residence at 31 May 1987 - |         |         |         |         |       |       |        |          |
|                                                          | N.S.W.                                    | Vic.    | Qld.    | S.A.    | W.A.    | Tas.  | N.T.  | A.C.T. |          |
| Less than 1 year:                                        |                                           |         |         |         |         |       |       |        |          |
| 1 - 12 weeks                                             | 152.3                                     | 118.9   | 102.6   | 31.4    | 57.4    | 14.7  | 6.1   | 9.2    | 492.7    |
| 13 - 25 weeks                                            | 171.3                                     | 110.7   | 102.7   | 40.7    | 60.1    | 15.2  | 9.7   | 9.9    | 520.3    |
| 26 - 38 weeks                                            | 181.0                                     | 122.8   | 104.6   | 42.7    | 56.5    | 14.8  | 7.5   | 9.3    | 539.2    |
| 39 - 51 weeks                                            | 117.5                                     | 100.5   | 64.9    | 27.5    | 39.5    | 10.3  | 4.8   | 6.4    | 371.3    |
| Total                                                    | 622.2                                     | 452.8   | 374.8   | 142.2   | 213.5   | 55.1  | 28.0  | 34.7   | 1,923.5  |
| 1 - 4 years                                              | 1,128.5                                   | 855.5   | 580.4   | 282.6   | 326.7   | 95.1  | 33.9  | 55.3   | 3,358.0  |
| 5 - 9 years                                              | 772.2                                     | 541.4   | 356.6   | 186.5   | 172.1   | 59.2  | 14.4  | 32.0   | 2,134.3  |
| 10 - 14 years                                            | 470.2                                     | 430.8   | 205.6   | 127.9   | 128.5   | 40.1  | 13.5  | 25.5   | 1,442.2  |
| 15 - 19 years                                            | 448.8                                     | 344.6   | 140.5   | 121.5   | 87.2    | 31.1  | 6.4   | 19.8   | 1,200.1  |
| 20 - 24 years                                            | 276.4                                     | 211.3   | 89.8    | 69.7    | 48.6    | 21.2  | 2.5   | 9.8    | 729.5    |
| 25 years or more                                         | 449.8                                     | 337.1   | 167.8   | 119.5   | 88.4    | 35.8  | 2.5   | 10.8   | 1,211.8  |
| Total                                                    | 4,168.1                                   | 3,173.6 | 1,915.6 | 1,050.1 | 1,065.0 | 337.5 | 101.2 | 188.1  | 11,999.3 |

## APPENDIX

ALL PERSONS WHOSE USUAL RESIDENCE WAS OVERSEAS AT 31 May 1986 (a) :  
AGE BY STATE OF USUAL RESIDENCE AT 31 MAY 1987

| Age group<br>(years) | ('000)                                  |      |      |      |      |      |      |        | Aust. |
|----------------------|-----------------------------------------|------|------|------|------|------|------|--------|-------|
|                      | State of usual residence at 31 May 1987 |      |      |      |      |      |      |        |       |
|                      | N.S.W.                                  | Vic. | Qld. | S.A. | W.A. | Tas. | N.T. | A.C.T. |       |
| 0 - 4                | 6.2                                     | *    | *    | *    | 1.5  | *    | *    | *      | 13.4  |
| 5 - 9                | 4.6                                     | *    | 2.3  | *    | 1.9  | *    | *    | *      | 11.6  |
| 10 - 14              | 3.1                                     | *    | *    | *    | *    | *    | *    | *      | 7.9   |
| 15 - 19              | 5.4                                     | *    | *    | *    | 1.7  | *    | *    | *      | 11.5  |
| 20 - 24              | 11.0                                    | 5.1  | 4.6  | *    | 4.3  | *    | *    | *      | 26.5  |
| 25 - 29              | 12.9                                    | 7.3  | 3.0  | *    | 2.9  | *    | *    | 1.0    | 28.9  |
| 30 - 34              | 8.6                                     | 5.0  | 2.5  | *    | 3.4  | *    | *    | *      | 21.9  |
| 35 - 44              | 11.4                                    | 7.1  | 3.7  | *    | 3.5  | *    | *    | 1.0    | 28.2  |
| 45 - 54              | 4.1                                     | *    | *    | *    | *    | *    | *    | *      | 8.8   |
| 55 - 64              | 3.4                                     | 3.4  | *    | *    | *    | *    | *    | *      | 8.1   |
| 65 and over          | 3.9                                     | 2.9  | *    | *    | *    | *    | *    | *      | 8.9   |
| Total                | 74.5                                    | 39.2 | 22.9 | 6.5  | 22.4 | 2.4  | 1.7  | 6.0    | 175.6 |

(a) Non-institutionalised civilians aged 15 years and over with usual residence in Australia at the end of the survey year but who were overseas at the beginning of the survey year, and their dependants aged 0-14 years.



## TECHNICAL NOTE

**Reliability of the estimates**

Since the estimates in this publication are based on information obtained from occupants of a sample of dwellings (or about two thirds of one per cent of the Australian population), they may differ from the figures that would have been produced if the information had been obtained from occupants of all dwellings. These differences are called *sampling errors*. One measure of sampling error is the *standard error*, which indicates the extent to which an estimate might have varied by chance because only a sample of dwellings was included in the survey. There are about two chances in three that a sample estimate will differ by less than one standard error from the figure that would have been obtained if all dwellings had been included in the survey, and about nineteen chances in twenty that the difference will be less than two standard errors. The standard error can also be expressed as a percentage of the estimate, and this is known as the *relative standard error*.

2. Space does not allow for the separate indication of the standard errors of all estimates in this publication. A table of standard errors for general application to sample estimates is given below in which States denote State of residence at the time of the survey i.e. apply to estimates of movement within or into the State. For movement out of the State, Australian standard errors should be used. The figures will not give a precise measure of the standard error of a particular estimate since they are averages based on calculations for a limited number of past surveys over a wide range of characteristics. However, they will provide an indication of the magnitude of the standard error of any estimate for any particular survey. Estimates relating to children under 15 will generally have standard errors slightly higher than those given in the table. An example of the use of the table is as follows—Table 1 shows that, at the Australian level, the estimated number of persons aged 15-19 who moved was 228,300. Since this estimate is between 200,000 and 300,000 in the standard error table, the standard error for Australia will be between 5,000 and 5,800 and can be approximated as 5,200 (rounded to the nearest 100). Therefore there are about two chances in three that the number that would have been obtained if all dwellings had been included in the survey would have been within the range 223,100 to 233,500 and about nineteen chances in twenty that it would have been within the range 217,900 to 238,700.

3. As the standard errors in the table below show, *the smaller the estimate the higher is the relative standard error*. Very small estimates are thus subject to such high standard errors (relative to the size of the estimate) as to detract seriously from their value for most reasonable uses. Estimates with a standard error of more than 30 per cent have not been shown in this publication. Although they can in some cases be derived by subtraction they should not be regarded as reliable.

4. Proportions and percentages (for example, mobility rates) formed from the ratio of two estimates are also subject to sampling error. The size of the error depends on the accuracy of both the numerator and denominator. The formula for the relative standard error (RSE) of a proportion is given below:

$$RSE (x/y) = \sqrt{[RSE(x)]^2 - [RSE(y)]^2}$$

5. Continuing the example in paragraph 2 above from Table 1 the mobility rate for the 15-19 age group was 172 per thousand. This figure was derived by dividing the estimated number of movers (228,300) by the estimated population, the total of movers plus non-movers, in the same age group (1,324,000). The standard error of 228,300 is approximately 5,200 so the relative standard error is 2.3 per cent. The standard error of 1,324,000 is 9,500, so the relative standard error is 0.7 per cent.

Applying the above formula, the relative standard error of the mobility rate (172) is  $\sqrt{(2.3)^2 - (0.7)^2}$  or 2.2 per cent, giving a standard error of 4. Therefore there are about two chances in three that the mobility rate of persons aged 15-19 is between 168 per thousand and 176 per thousand and nineteen chances in twenty that the proportion is within the range 164 per thousand to 180 per thousand.

6. Published figures may also be used to estimate the difference between two survey estimates (of numbers or percentages). Such a figure is itself an estimate and is therefore subject to sampling error. The sampling error of the difference between two estimates depends on their standard errors and the relationship (correlation) between them. An approximate standard error (SE) of the difference between two estimates (x-y) may be calculated by the following formula:

$$SE (x-y) = \sqrt{[SE(x)]^2 - [SE(y)]^2}$$

While this formula will only be exact between separate and uncorrelated characteristics or subpopulations it is expected to provide a good approximation for all differences likely to be of interest in this publication.

7. The imprecision due to sampling variability, which is measured by the standard error, should not be confused with inaccuracies that may occur because of imperfections in reporting by respondents, errors made in collection such as in recording and coding of data, and errors made in processing the data. Inaccuracies of this kind are referred to as the *non-sampling error* and they may occur in any enumeration, whether it be a full count or a sample. Every effort is made to reduce the non-sampling error to a minimum by careful design of questionnaires, intensive training and supervision of interviewers and efficient operating procedures.



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